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Churchill & Roosevelt Meet Stalin

SENATOR CONNALLY ON "PARAMOUNT SIGNIFICANCE" OF NEW THREE-POWER CONFERENCE

FORT WORTH (TEXAS), December 3.

Senator Connally, Chairman of the United States Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said over the radio that "another great conference is taking place in the Middle East between President Roosevelt, Marshal Stalin and Mr. Churchill". He added that the meeting is "of paramount significance".

He refused to elaborate or to give the source of his information.

New Three-Power Conference

(From Reuter's special correspondent)

London circles decline to comment on Senator Connally's statement which would mean the first meeting between President Roosevelt and Marshal Stalin. Marshal Stalin has already met Mr. Churchill in Moscow in 1942. Assuming the correctness of Senator Connally's information, this new Three Power Conference would follow closely after the successful Moscow meetings between the Foreign Ministers of the Three Powers Mr. Eden, Mr. Cordell Hull and M. Molotov.

Senator Connally's announcement came after German and neutral sources had hinted that the three leaders were meeting in Persia. Some reports alleged that the meeting place was Teheran. Others Tabriz in the Russian military zone of North Persia.

Reuter's special correspondent cabled from Istanbul a few hours before Senator Connally made the announcement: "Reports reaching Turkey last night claim that Marshal Stalin is now at Tabriz, awaiting Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt who are reported to have left Cairo by air on Wednesday.

Reports from Axis as well as neutral sources in the past 24 hours had said that Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt, fresh from their momentous Pacific War Talks with General Chiang Kai-shek, have now gone to Persia to meet Marshal Stalin.

Victory For Chinese

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The Tri-partite Conference was a victory for the Chinese which must have surpassed all their hopes and expectations, said the "New York Times" to-day. The Conference was a vote of confidence in new China that is being forged in the fires of this war. It is an answer also to the Japanese who represent this war as a race war. The position accorded to new China will place upon her grave responsibilities for keeping and safeguarding peace and freedom in the Far East of the future. Friends of new China in this country will be confident that she can prove equal to these responsibilities."

The New York "Herald Tribune" says that in its recognition of China's position, the Cairo Conference at least laid the groundwork for rational organisation of the Far Eastern International Society.

The "World Telegram" said that the Cairo pact is a sign that the Allies at least are ready to fight a major Pacific war.—Reuter.

Conference Begins

ISTANBUL, Dec. 3.

Mr. Churchill, President Roosevelt and Marshal Stalin have arrived at Tabriz (Iran) according to news received in Ankara.

The conference between the three leaders has opened.—Reuter.

Curtin-McArthur Conference

CANBERRA, Dec. 3.

It was announced to-day that the Prime Minister Mr. John Curtin has just completed an important conference with Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Mr. Curtin is reported to have said they discussed the results of the North African talks. He added that Rabaul was now a precarious base which the Japanese were using at great hazard.

COLOMBIA JOINS UNITED NATIONS

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—It is announced that Colombia is to sign the United Nations pact. This follows Colombia's recent declaration of a "State of Belligerency" with Germany.—Reuter.

MORE LIGHT ON CAIRO 'BLACK-OUT'!

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2: (Delayed).

Mr. Elmer Davis head of the United States Office of War Information in a statement to the Associated Press of America, criticised Reuter message from Lisbon which told of the meeting between Mr. Churchill, President Roosevelt and Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek. This message, from Douglas Brown, head of the Reuter Office in Lisbon was sent to American newspapers in Reuter Overseas Services on Tuesday night. Mr. Davis said that the German news agency and "virtually everyone else circulated Reuter's report", and added "if there were a conference we could assume from past experience that there would be some arrangement for simultaneous release from the capitals involved. If that were the case, Reuters broke the release date; if there was no conference, then the story would be an invention. Either way it is equally reprehensible".

SURPRISE FOR REUTERS

The Associated Press carried a reply from Reuter to Mr. Davis which said "Reuters express surprise that Mr. Elmer Davis should in his statement, criticise Reuters without ascertaining facts. The Reuter message was the result of spontaneous journalistic enterprise by Douglas Brown, Chief of the Reuter office in Lisbon. There was no embargo or restriction agreed or otherwise on sending anywhere in the world a story breaking in Lisbon. If there had been such an embargo Reuters would have observed it. Reuters was not allowed to publish the message in London. The position is that Reuters was at liberty to deliver the message to their overseas newspaper clients, but not at liberty to deliver it to British newspapers. Reuters further point out that European radio stations have carried numerous rumours of the meeting".

BRITISH CENSORSHIP

It is further pointed out by Reuter's night editor that there is provision in British censorship which permits transit through London of messages from centres abroad such as Lisbon, Ankara, Madrid and so on. Such messages cannot be altered in passing through London and neither can they be distributed in Britain if domestic censorship rules apply. In this instance, the message from Lisbon went through normal censorship channels and treated as a message in transit.

One American newspaper commenting on this episode, in its editorial said "what is everybody's secret is nobody's secret", and added that Mr. Davis appears "somewhat nettled" by the disclosure of the reported meeting. "The head of the office of War Information has a right to be provoked with that agency (Reuter). The rest of us are little provoked with it and that makes it all even", the newspaper said.

Mr. Elmer Davis at a press conference to-day (Thursday) disclosed that he has cabled to Mr. Brenden Bracken, British Minister of Information, an official protest against the publication of the story from Reuter's Lisbon Office of the Churchill-Roosevelt-Chiang Kai-Shek meeting.

REUTER'S ASSURANCE

Mr. Davis said at the press conference that since dispatching the protest, he had been assured by Reuters that its Lisbon story was distributed prior to the time when the official statement on the conference was made available. Reuters had given its assurance, he added, that this story was not prompted in London and resulted from spontaneous journalistic enterprise in Lisbon. In this instance, he added, there was no evidence of any release embargo being broken.

Mr. Davis added "I am certain that Mr. Bracken himself knew nothing about this when it happened. It is possible that there was some slip in his organisation and we hope it will be possible to work out some better method of handling such stories in future".—Reuter.

Rajen Babu's Birthday Arrests

PATNA, Dec. 3: The 59th birthday of Dr. Rajendra Prasad was observed by the citizens of Patna to-day when a public meeting under the presidentship of Khan Bahadur S. M. Hafiz was held.

Sixteen persons including five women were arrested for taking out processions in this connection.—United Press.

TYPE FOUNDRY MANAGER ACQUITTED

BOMBAY, Friday.

Surendra Manilal Modi, Works Manager of the Gujarati Type Foundry was found unanimously "not guilty" of the charge of possessing explosive substances by a Common Jury and acquitted by Mr. Justice Rajadhyaksha.

The accused was arrested on January 30, last by Deputy Inspector Rane and the prosecution alleged that 15 oval-shaped castings and an alluminium bomb were recovered from the foundry.

The accused was charged for possessing explosive substances. Y. B. Rege appeared for the crown. Mr. S. G. Velinker, Bar-at-Law defended the accustd.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (MARCH)

	New York, Dec. 3.
Previous Closing	19.25
To-day's Opening	19.26
Difference	+.01
To-day's Closing	19.13
Difference	—.12

New York Stock Exchange

New York, Dec. 3.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

General Motors dol 50 1/4
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Calcutta Stock Exchange

CALCUTTA, Dec. 3.

The market ruled better for coal shares on strong buying and prices in most of the favourites were marked up while other stocks kept fairly steady and active. Government securities were unchanged.

Berlin Bombed Again

LONDON, Dec. 3.

The Air Ministry announces: "Last night aircraft of the Bomber Command in great strength made a heavy attack on Berlin. Very large fires were seen with smoke rising to great height.

Mosquitos attacked objectives in Western Germany.

Forty-one of our aircraft are missing.

Berlin, with fires still burning from the last raid on Friday, a week ago was hit again last night by Royal Air Force Lancasters, says Reuter's Special Correspondent. Although not on the vast scale of the "saturation raid" of Monday night, November 22, when 2,300 tons of bombs were dropped, last night's assault was equivalent to any of the other raids.

It was the first raid of the month for the Reich capital and the fifth attack by Royal Air Force heavies in 14 days. The official "communique" states "Berlin was bombed in great strength". Berlin has now been bombed 95 times during the war and last night's was the 40th of this year.—

Two War Reporters Missing

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Two war reporters Normal Stockton, Australian and Lowell Bennett, American, are officially reported missing in last night's Berlin raid. Stockton represented the Australian Associated Newspaper Service and Bennett the International News Service correspondent covered the raid for three United States Agencies.

29 CORRESPONDENTS KILLED ON WAR FRONTS

Twenty-nine British, Empire and American correspondents have been killed covering war fronts during this war. Eight of them were British. 34 have been wounded, 12 being British. Nine correspondents including Bennett and Stockton are missing, four of them British. 45 correspondents are prisoners of war or interned, including eight British.—Reuter.

MORE INTENSE WAR BUT LONG AND COSTLY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.

An accelerated offensive against the Japanese was predicted to-day by the United States War Secretary, Mr. Henry L. Stimson, but he added that reconquest of Pacific territory would be long and costly.—Reuter.

HAS SMUTS CHANGED COLOUR?

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 3.

Cables have been sent to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek and to the Chinese Ambassador in London by the Chinese Association of South Africa saying that discrimination and disabilities are suffered by the Chinese under the anti-Asiatic Laws.

The cable stated that Field Marshal Smuts is sympathetic to the Chinese cause and is probably on the verge of rectifying the historical mistake.

The message to Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek asked him to appeal to Field Marshal Smuts.—Reuter.

COMET AT JOHANNESBURG

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 3.

It is disclosed to-day that a new comet was discovered on Wednesday by Dr. H. Vangent of the Southern Branch of the Leiden Observatory here. The object which is of ninth magnitude is invisible to the naked eye and was in the Constellation Puppis and rapidly moving in the direction of Canopus. Its speed and brightness are increasing but it has not yet developed a tail.—Reuter.

Huq's Condition Causes Anxiety

CALCUTTA, Dec. 3.

Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, ex-Premier of Bengal, passed a restless night again yesterday and his condition is now causing anxiety, according to his attending physician.—A. P.

DR. KHAN SAHIB

PESHAWAR, Dec. 3.—Dr. Khan Sahib who was taken ill during his recent tour is still confined to bed. He is expected to recover soon.—United Press.

MAHASABHA PRESIDENTSHIP

NEW DELHI, Dec. 3.

The Working Committee of the Delhi Provincial Hindu Mahasabha which met here to-day made the final recommendation of the name of Mr. V. D. Savarkar for the presidentship of the forthcoming session of the Hindu Mahasabha to be held at Amritsar. It is undderstood that fourteen provinces have so far recommended the name of Mr. Savarkar.—A. P.

SIND TEAM IN RANJI TROPHY

KARACHI, Dec. 3.

The following team has been selected to represent Sind in the Ranji Trophy match against Gujerat to be played at Karachi on December 11, 12 and 13:—

J. Naoomal (Captain), Daudkhan, Qamar-ud-Din, Dipchand, Girdhari, Lakda, Samtani, Parsram, Narottam, Pamanmal and Jamnadas.

RESERVES:—Abbas Khan, P. P. Fernandes and Mohd Hussein.—A. P.

CAIRO, Dec. 3.—It is officially announced that the Egyptian Minister to Turkey, Abdul Rahman Hakki, has been appointed Minister to the Soviet Union in addition to his present post.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

BR. DESTROYER LOST

LONDON, Dec. 3.

The Admiralty to-night announced the loss of the British destroyer "Hurworth".—Reuter.

NAZIS EVACUATE LANCIANO

LONDON, Dec. 3: The German news agency to-night announced the evacuation of Lanciano on the Eighth Army front in Italy.—Reuter.

WHITE RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE GAINS NEW MOMENTUM

(From Reuter's Staff Correspondent).

MOSCOW, Dec. 3.

Dovsk Road, pivot of the Germans White Russian front is slipping from General Kluge's hand. General Rokossovsky's guards are to-day fighting in the outskirts of the town after a swift thrust to Stary Dovsk (old Dovsk) only three miles to the north.

The town from which roads radiate to Mogilev, Propoisk and Rogochev is now partially encircled. The whole White Russian offensive has gained new momentum in the past 24 hours.

Soviet troops crossed the upper reaches of river Ingulets, which is barely more than a stream at this point.

Fresh Soviet attacks between rivers Sozh and Dnieper, north-west of Gomel, have pierced the German lines at several points, states the "Red Star" to-day.

It reports "the Germans are being hard pressed. Sometimes by frontal attacks, sometimes by outflanking movements, the Germans are being steadily rolled back towards the Dnieper suffering heavy losses in manpower and material".

With the return of clear weather, Soviet troops have resumed their offensive south-west of Dniepropetrovsk. Powerful German counter thrusts supported by tanks, self-propelled guns and bombers are being repelled with heavy losses.—Reuter.

Goalpara Ban On Tricolour

DHUBRI, Dec. 1.

The Deputy Commissioner of Goalpara, has issued an order under the Defence of India Rules prohibiting the hoisting of the Congress Flag within the District of Goalpara.—A. P.

CATROUX FOR BEIRUT AGAIN

ALGIERS, Dec. 3: The French Committee of National Liberation on Thursday approved the measures taken by Gen. Catroux in Lebanon and decided that Gen. Catroux should return to Beirut shortly.

Radio France announces Gen. de Gaulle has now been endowed with the right of exercising clemency. "A decree published in the official Gazette in Algiers yesterday gives this right to the President of the French Committee of National Liberation to be exercised in the name of the Committee.—Reuter.

Purge Of Prefects

LONDON, Dec. 3.

The German news agency said today that in a new purge of prefects in Northern Italy by the Fascist Minister of the Interior, prefects of Mantua, Leghorn, Venice, Ferrara, Modena, Aquila and Cuneo have been dismissed. The agency said "they have been replaced by Fascists who have belonged to the movement since the march on Rome".—Reuter.

EXPLOSION AT GAUHATI

GAUHATI, Dec. 2.

One person was killed on the spot and two others seriously injured at Athgaon, in Gauhati town due to the bursting of certain explosives on Saturday afternoon. A pony and a bullock were also injured. The injured persons are now progressing in the hospital.—A. P.

Prof. Daruvala To Go To Chungking

Professor J. C. Daruvala, who is connected with a number of educational and other institutions in Bombay has been appointed University Professor of Foreign Languages at Chungking by the Chinese Ministry of Education, and will be shortly leaving India to take up the appointment. His appointment was arranged by the Chinese Educational and Cultural Delegation, which visited this country in March last. Prof. Daruvala was for some years in charge of the Distribution Department of the "Bombay Chronicle" and allied papers and is an ex-president of the Progressive Group.

Mediterranean Air Victory

(From Reuter's Special Correspondent)

ALLIED H.Q. IN N. AFRICA, Dec. 3.

The "Flying Fortresses" which hammered the submarine pens and docks at Marseilles yesterday struck a powerful blow at German U-boat construction and scored one of the biggest Mediterranean air victories for many months.

The bombers and their escort of lightnings shot down eleven German fighters and probably destroyed another six. They accounted for almost all the 20 fighters which tried to head them off. Clouds of smoke covered the entire target area as the last bomber turned for home.—Reuter.

50,000 PERISH IN MUNSHIGANJ

MUNSHIGANJ (Dacca) Dec. 3.

Due to starvation, malnutrition, malaria and other diseases in the wake of famine 50,000 people, it is estimated, have perished in the Sub-division.

Relief measures are inadequate to meet the needs of the situation.—U.P.

One Lakh For Dacca

DACCA, Dec. 3.

A great fillip to the relief work in the city has been given by a contribution of Rs. one lakh made by the Government of Bengal recently to the Dacca city relief committee.

A rationing scheme for distributing food to each family through ration card on per capital basis through 98 mohalla committees has been introduced.—A. P.

South African Contribution

CALCUTTA, Dec. 3.

Indians in South Africa have now contributed Rs. 1,24,867 to the Bengal Relief Committee for famine distress in Bengal. The Secretary of the Committee Mr. B. Kanoria announcing this gives the following details:

The Indian Famine Relief Committee Johannesburg has contributed Rs. 65,675/6/-, the Indian Famine Relief Committee, Durban, Rs. 26,240, Indians in South Africa through the Imperial Indian Citizenship Association Rs. 18,936/15, the Indian National Association, Zanzibar Rs. 10,000 and the Indian community Johannesburg Rs. 3,936.—A. P.

Calcutta Hunger Toll

CALCUTTA, Dec. 3.

Yesterday 24 sick destitutes died in various hospitals in the city and suburbs and there were 77 new admissions.

VITAMIN CAPSULES FLOWN FROM ENGLAND

NEW DELHI.—Large quantities of drugs are being sent by air from England to the stricken districts of Bengal. Already one million vitamin capsules supplied by His Majesty's Government reached Bengal and were distributed.

AUSTRALIAN HELP

MELBOURNE:—The Australian Minister of Commerce and Agriculture, Mr. William James Scully said that India had received 170,000 tons of Australian wheat this year, most of which had been rushed there owing to famine.

STARVATION DEATHS IN ORISSA

CUTTACK:—According to the Assistant Press Adviser of the Orissa Government, there were 16 deaths due to starvation in Balasore town, 2 in Basta including one from Midnapore and 1 in Bhadrak during the week ending November 29. There was no death in Cuttack and Ganjam.

Prisoners' Quota

CALCUTTA, Dec. 3.

Prisoners in Arthur Road prison, Bombay, have sent through the Superintendent Rs. 198-8-0 to the All Bengal Flood and Famine Relief Fund.—A. P.

CENTRAL ASSEMBLY

NEW DELHI, Dec. 4.—It is announced that a session of the Central Legislative Assembly will commence at New Delhi on February 7.—A. P.

STATES-MERGER 'ULTRA VIRES'

Sir Chimanlal Setalwad Argues Appeals Of Bhadwa And Charkha

AJMER, Dec. 2.

The validity of the Crown representative's scheme of attachment of a number of minor Taluqas to neighbouring big Indian State in Kathiawar is challenged before a Special Bench consisting of Mr. N. W. H. Davies, and Judicial Commissioners Mr. Kavishwar and Rai Bahadur Verma of the Bombay and Allahabad Judicial Services respectively. The question is being argued on two applications made by the Taluqdar of Bhadwa and the Taluqdar of Charkha.

Sir Chimanlal Setalvad appears for the applicants while Mr. F. J. Coltman appears for the Crown representative to oppose application.

Sir Chimanlal opening the applicants' case raised two constitutional questions. The first was that the scheme of attachment was 'ultra vires' and the second that the notification taking away the jurisdiction of Judicial Commissioner's court to try pending cases was in excess of the authority conferred upon the Crown Representative by the Order-in-Council of 1937 and was, therefore, 'ultra vires'.

The Government of India Act, 1935, which created the office of the Crown Representative and also the letters patent issued by His Majesty the King Emperor, which was the Instrument of Appointment of the Crown Representative, gave no power to him to remove States from the political relationship of the Crown to any of the States and thereby create a new and intermediate suzerain.

NOT TO INDIAN PRINCES

Regarding the second point, Sir Chimanlal said that the Order-in-Council of 1902 and the subsequent order of 1937 were issued by the Crown in exercise of power conferred upon it by the Foreign Jurisdiction Act of 1890, and expressly provided that its paramountcy could be conferred upon or transferred only to servants of the Crown subordinate to the Crown Representative and not to Indian Princes. The attachment scheme could not be supported as an act of state between the Suzerain and Indian States.

Mr. Coltman in his reply argued that the Scheme of attachment was clearly an Act of Parliament. Just as the Crown could depose any Indian ruler or restrict or take away his power and no court of justice could question that act or examine its validity, similarly the present scheme of attachment was an act of State and the Judicial Commissioner had no jurisdiction to pronounce upon its validity in the present proceeding. The Order-in-Council of 1937 eliminated the question of delegation of powers by the Crown were saved by Sec. 2 and 3 of the Government of India Act, 1935. The Crown representative had full power and authority to take away the jurisdiction of the court, which was created by the same Order-in-Council.

ORDER IN THE AIR

In conclusion he submitted that the Bhadwa case had already been transferred to Gondal and this court had no authority or jurisdiction to recall it from an Indian State's court and, therefore, any order passed by this court would be an order in the air inasmuch as such an order could not be enforced or executed.

Mr. Davies and Mr. Kavishwar intervening observed that it was none of their business to see how their orders were carried out or whether the Resident or the Crown representative respected this Court's order or not.—A. P.

Eighth Army Occupies Castel Frentano

Germans Taken By Surprise: Fierce Battle For Lanciano

ALLIED H. Q. IN N. AFRICA, December 3.

The Eighth Army have entered Castel Frentano and are now progressing along the Adriatic road towards San Vito Chietino on the Adriatic coast.

Fierce fighting is now in progress for the town of Lanciano.

San Vito is the coastal terminus of the Germans former lateral supply road. Eighth Army troops, who battered their way into Castel Frentano, found the town heavily fortified. The Germans made a "do or die" stand and launched a number of unsuccessful counter-attacks to throw the British back from the town.

BATTLE FOR LANCIANO

Fierce fighting is now raging for the capture of Lanciano, which tops the 900 footridge overlooking the road between San Vito and Castel Frentano. British troops of the Fifth Army made a short advance in the vicinity of Cala Britto yesterday. This town lies five miles south-west of Minano.

GERMANS TAKEN BY SURPRISE

LONDON:—The Algiers Radio says General Montgomery's assault along the ridge top from Santa Maria to the sea took the German forces holding forward positions completely by surprise. They were expecting a frontal attack, but found themselves cut off when the British occupied the ground behind them.

Battered remnants of the German troops left behind, resisted grimly.

"SEA OF FLAME"

As the Allied attack develops in Italy, the Fascist Government Radio stated to-day, "Fire on the Eastern and Central Sectors of the Front is such that the whole area has been turned into a sea of flame." The German controlled Vichy Radio said, "The British Eighth Army is constantly being reinforced. Pressure is especially intense in the mountainous region, 16 miles from Pescara in the neighbourhood of Casoli".

BRAVE NAZI CASUALTIES

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The Algiers Radio to-day reported that the Germans on the British Eighth Army front have left behind a large number of guns and much other equipment and suffered very heavy casualties.

MOUNTBATTEN BACK IN INDIA

NEW DELHI, Dec. 3.

Lord Louis Mountbatten has returned to India. He held a conference at his headquarters the same night of his arrival.—A. P.

PUNJAB YIELDS TO PRESSURE

Decides To Accept Rationing And Price Control

(From Our Correspondent.)

LAHORE, Dec. 3.

An important meeting of the Punjab Cabinet was held this morning at the Civil Secretariat, His Excellency the Governor of Punjab presiding. All Ministers were present. Final decision was arrived at regarding Central Government's food policy on the basis of All-India Control, and further discussions on Central Government's plan, recently communicated in the light of Lahore talks between the Central and Punjab Governments also took place.

Unofficially, it is learned they have decided that prices of wheat should be controlled within one week. The Punjab Government has agreed to fix the price of wheat in Punjab at about nine rupees per maund. Important Government "communique" will be issued in a day or two.

Sind Too Will Fall In Line

KARACHI, Dec. 3.

It is gathered that Sind will also fall in line with the other Provinces and States for a uniform food policy by accepting rationing and price control provided that the Government of India agree to withdraw their order on the Sind Government asking the latter not to raise the prices of controlled foodgrains without their approval.

It appears the Council of Ministers has sent another telegram to the Central Government on the subject and threatened to precipitate action in the event of their not agreeing to the demand.

SIND'S TERMS

It is stated that the Sind Government are anxious to raise the control price of wheat to which the Government of India are likely to agree. If this is done, the Sind Government will announce the acceptances of rationing and price control.—United Press.

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Pentangular Final

Hindus Score 319 For Two Wickets

CENTURIES BY MERCHANT AND ADHIKARI IN DOUBLE CENTURY PARTNERSHIP

(BY OUR CRICKET CRITIC)

BOMBAY, Friday.

The first day of the final match in the Bombay Pentangular Cricket Tournament saw the Hindus collect the splendid figure of 319 runs for the loss of 2 wickets only. From the look of things it does not seem at all surprising that they will amass such a big total to-day as will be very difficult for the Rest to surpass even in their two innings.

It was indeed a lucky day for the Hindus. Four dropped catches helped them in a large measure to pile up the above total. In fact the first two saved them from an early disaster. Sohoni who was given a life by Roach when he had scored only 12, contributed no less than 37 runs. Adhikari went much better than that. Missed by Harris at 18, he lived to raise his score to 123 without losing his wicket.

VIJAY DOUBLY LUCKY

As things turned out, however, Adhikari, associated with his skipper, Vijay Merchant, had the privilege of raising the total from 114 for 2 wickets to 219 without breaking up the partnership. Vijay was even more fortunate than his companion in that he was dropped twice in his unbeaten career of 112—first at 30 and then at 87. Frank and Vijay Hazare being responsible for the lapses.

Apart from the above blemishes Adhikari and Merchant acquitted themselves most creditably. The former played a more or less stolid innings for more than five hours and a half, his century which had only six fours in its composition, taking as many as 242 minutes. Vijay, on the other hand batted brightly after he got his first life, taking only 142 minutes to reach the 100 mark. Eighteen hits to the boundary during this period tell their own tale. It is, rather interesting to note that while Adhikari was 97 Merchant stood at 70. But the latter earned the coveted distinction before the Baroda player could! These two batsmen have fared exceedingly well so far.

The prospects before the Rest do not appear at all re-assuring. Had they not dropped those catches, the match might have told a different tale. Their bowling and ground fielding in general were not so bad. But these dropped catches seem to be giving away the match.

RIVAL TEAMS

The following were the teams:—

HINDUS: V. M. Merchant (Captain), M. K. Mantri, C. S. Nayudu Vinoo Mankad, H. R. Adhikari, S. W. Sohoni, K. M. Rangnekar, G. Kishenchand, S. N. Bannerji, Ram Prakash and C. T. Sarwate.

RESERVES: M. N. Raiji and B. K. Garudachar.

THE REST: P. D'Avoine (Captain), V. Dias, B. Frank, Patrick D'Souza, E. G. Mane, J. Roach, Vijay Hazare, A. K. Bhalerao, J. Harris, Vikram Hazare, and S. R. Arolkar.

RESERVES: B. P. Kadam, B. Alexander, Arthur, Fernandez, and P. D'Penha.

Vijay Merchant winning the toss sent out Sohoni and Mankad to open the game for the Hindus. Roach opened the attack to Sohoni who scored a single off his third delivery. The first ten went up the board after 15 minutes of the game. When the score was at 19 Sohoni was dropped in the slips by Roach off Hazare.

J. Harris replaced Roach who came a little later from the opposite end. At 39 Harris got Vinoo l.b.w. (39—1—13).

Adhikari joined Sohoni. The score slowly rose to 50. At this stage Bhalerao relieved Harris, and Vikram Hazare was brought in from the opposite end. 60 went up exactly after 100 minutes of the game.

At lunch the total had reached 88 without any further loss.

FIRST CENTURY

Within 15 minutes after lunch Sohoni hitting Roach for a double hoisted the first Hindu century on the board, and reached his own 50. However, before the pair could settle down, Roach with a beautiful fast delivery shattered Sohoni's wickets. (114—2—57).

Vijay Merchant then associated himself into partnership with Adhikari. The game now took a bright colour and up the board went 150 which included Adhikari's 50. When Merchant was at 30 he was dropped by Frank on the leg off Bhalerao. At 198 the game closed for tea.

200 ON BOARD

On the resumption of the game after tea, Merchant drove Frank for four and with it the second century of the Hindus went up the board.

New ball was brought in at this stage and Roach was entrusted with it. Vijay Hazare came from the opposite end. This made no change with the batsmen who went on merrily with the game. Merchant soon reached his 50 and Adhikari his 80. As the game proceeded Adhikari slowly reached 98, and remained at that total for a considerable time. In the meanwhile Merchant followed up. He was, however, dropped at 87 by Hazare in the slips off Frank. Thereafter with two dashing fours he reached his 95. With one more boundary off Roach he overtook Hazare and following it up with a single was the first to complete his century. Adhikari also reached his 100, though a little later.

After the third century was hoisted on the board Mane was tried with the leather. The change was in no way effective. The well-set batsmen played out till the stumps were drawn for the day, the board showing 319, which included Adhikari's 123 and Merchant's 112.

HINDUS (1st Innings.)

S. W. Sohoni b. Roach	57
V. Mankad l.b.w. Harris	13
H. R. Adhikari batting	123
V. M. Merchant batting	112
Extras	14
Total for (2 wkts.)	319

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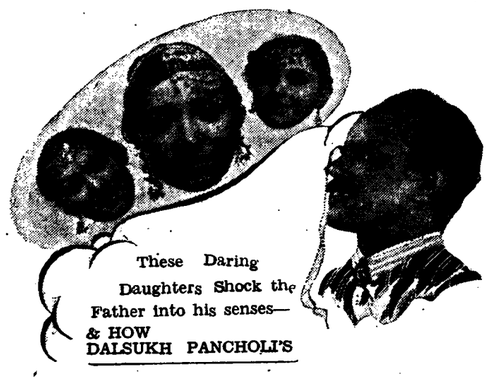

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To-day's Engagements

ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE: Annual Sports at College Gymkhana, Parel 3 p.m. (S. T.). Dr. J. Fernandez will preside and Mrs. Fernandez will distribute prizes.

FREE POPULAR SCIENCE COURSES: Lecture by Prof. Ranade on 'Hereditary Horoscope' in the Royal Institute of Science at 4 p.m. is postponed "sine die".

COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No 12 (1st Nagpada, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura) will meet near the Junction of Bellasis Road and Duncan Road (Old Parsee Statue) at 6-51 a.m. (B. T.). 8-30 a.m (S. T.). to go round the Ward Residents of the Ward who have grievances to represent should be present at the appointed place and time

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN: Shri Jagdish Chandra Shastri, Kavyatirtha, will deliver a public lecture in Hindi on "Mahakavi Tulsidas" at 5-30 p.m.

FREEDOM GROUP: Mr. M. A. Jadwat, the representative of the South African Indian Congress will address the Freedom Group on "The Social Position of Indians in South Africa" in the rooms of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Church Gate, at 6-15 p.m.

BOMBAY LEGAL DEFENCE COMMITTEE: Meeting of the Committee at 4 p.m. at the office of Messrs. Manchershaw B. Chothia & Co., Examiner Press Building, 35 Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay.

DASTUR DR. DHALA'S LECTURE: Under the auspices of the Dnyan Prasarak Mandali Dastur Dr. M. N. Dhala of Karachi will deliver a public lecture in Gujarati on the "Problems of Education after the War" at the Framji Cowasji Institute Upper Hall at 6-15 p.m. (S. T.). when Diwan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri will preside.

SUBURBAN MUSIC CIRCLE: Concert of vocal music by Prof. Mallikarjun Mansur will be held at 10 p.m. in the Vimalanand Koppikar Hall, Santa Cruz.

FRIENDS OF SOVIET: A fraternal meeting of the members and the guests at the F. S. U., 48 Benham Hall Lane, Girgaon at 6-30 p.m.

B. P. MUSLIM YOUTHS FEDERATION: A public symposium on 'What sort of dispensation in India do I want after freedom' to-morrow (Sunday) at 10 a.m in the office of the Majlise-Ittihad-O-Taraqqi, near J. J. Hospital. Mr Quari Bashir Saheb will preside.

RELIGIOUS DISCOURSES: Religious discourses by Swami Sambuddhanandaji of Ramakrishna Mission, Khar Road: To-day at 3 p.m (S. T.), at Batliboi's Accountancy Institute, Prescott Road, Fort, in English on Vedanta Philosophy (Brahma Sutra) and tomorrow at 10 a.m. (S. T.) at Mission Library Hall Khar Road, in English on Bhagwat Geeta and at 6-30 p.m. (S. T.), at Mission Library Hall, Khar Road, in English on Teachings of Ramakrishna Paramahamsa.

BOMBAY TAILORING WORKERS UNION: Public meeting of the tailoring workers of Bombay was called on Cooperage last Sunday by the Bombay Tailoring Workers Union and the following new Executive Committee has been elected: President: Mr. M. R. A. Baig, Vice-President: Mr. N. Abbasi, Gen. Secretary: Mr. Adam Adil and Treasurer: Mr. B. N. Anklesaria.

25TH ANNIVERSARY OF LATE RAM GANESH GADKARI

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Selections For Today's Races

LEJONG SHOULD WIN AGAIN

"Truefit" Greatly Fancied In Last Event

(From Our Racing Correspondent)

Only six candidates have been left in in the Windsor Plate, the chief event in the programme which is due for decision to-day at Mahalaxmi. The consistent Lejong who is so high at form at the moment is sure to beat off his five rivals in the chief event. The Idar-owned Truefit is greatly fancied in the last event, the Bangalore Plate.

The following are my selections:—
1st race: Princess Hamiyah 1. Red Cross 2. King Ku 3
2nd race: Majnun Anwah 1. Muhannad 2. Vienna 3.
3rd race: Rabdan 1. Janab 2. Muwaffaq al Ilah 3.
4th race: Blenheim 1. Royal Oak 2. Amal al Shabab 3.
5th race: Kirit 1. Plain George 2. Gold Gainer 3.
6th race: Lejong 1. Moot Law 2. El Morocco 3.
7th race: Dancing Lily 1. Sunny Boy 2. Inside Information 3.
8th race: Sweet Dream 1. Scottish Star 2. Paravant 3.
9th race: Truefit 1. Prince Saleem 2. Palla Number 3.
Dark Flukes: Jassir and Happy Note.

'Wapas' Catches At Krishna

Gold Medal Awarded To Vijay Bhatt

(By T. V. P.)

New Theatres' latest "Wapas" was released yesterday at Krishna Talkies. It was given a good reception by fans who have known for years by experience that the New Theatres are producers of quality films. "Wapas" stood up to the expectations of the audience. It is a good comic story which does quite very well till after a couple of reels following the interval and becomes slightly boring in the concluding reels. The picture stars Ashit Baran and Bharati both of whom have distinguished themselves as a popular team in "Saugand" and "Kashinath" both of which were New Theatres productions. Directed by Hem Chunder, it has particularly good music. Bharati's songs in all moods were quite good. The supporting cast also is quite satisfactory.

'AKBAR' AND 'SHARAFAT'

"Shahenshah Akbar was released last week at Noveity is now in the second week. It is released by Brij-Diwan and produced by Kamalroy Pictures.

"Sharafat" at Kamal starring Leela Desai and Pahari Sanyal is acclaimed by the audiences as one of the good pictures of the season and 'Mahatma Vidur' at Majestic released about a month ago is growing more and more popular every week

GOLD MEDAL TO VIJAY BHATT

Mr. Vijay Bhatt, Director of 'Ramrajya' of Prakash Pictures was presented a gold medal at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan on Sunday last. While presenting the Gold Medal, Mr K. M. Munshi paid high tributes to Mr. Vijay Bhatt and Mr. Kanu Desai for the production of "Ramrajya". The Gold Medals were donated by Mr. R. Birla to Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan to be presented to the creators of the best picture representing Indian Culture.

"SAWAAL" NOW IN COLOURS

Producer Anand's "Sawaal" which continues at Lamington in its ninth week, has gained considerably in its beauty and attraction with seven of its important scenes shown in gorgeous colours since last week.

MORE SUCCESS FOR "POONJI"

The reported sale of the Pancholi picture "Poonji" in the C.P. and C.I. area for a lac-and-quarter not only sets a new high in territorial deals, but may be acknowledged as a measure of that picture's brilliant success.

POPULAR OLD TIMERS

"Prithvivallabh", "Shakuntala", "Hamari Baat", "Tansen", "Najma", "Premsangit" and "Kismet" have their popularity still kept up in tact.

Hollywood Tired Of War Films

Hollywood is tired of producing war films which have become to many now-a-days and some times farcical. This is the opinion of leading stars like Adolph Menjou. Leading Studios are now concentrating on escapist entertainments.—India Press Service.

Ruler Of Dewas (Jr.) Dead

NEW DELHI, Dec. 3.

According to a message from Dewas, H. H. Sadashivrao Khasesahib Puar, Maharaja Saheb Dewas (Junior), died at Dewas on Thursday night after a long illness. He was aged 56.—A. P.

RAYALASEEMA RELIEF FUND BOMBAY

The Secretaries, Rayalaseema Famine Relief Fund, Bombay, send the following list of donations amounts (above Rs 500) are published below:—

Amount previously acknowledged Rs. 55,217-12-0; National Council of Women in India, thro' Konda Venkatappaiah, Rs. 10,000; Sir Ratan Tata Charities, Rs. 5,000; "Hindustan Times" Relief Fund, Delhi, Rs. 5,000; Royal Western India Turf Club Ltd., thro' the Bombay War Gifts Fund, Rs. 5,000 Thro' Millowners' Association, Bombay, E. D. Sassoon & Co., Ltd., Rs. 2,500; The Mysore Spinning & Mfg. Co., Ltd., Rs. 1,000; The Minerva Mills Ltd., Rs. 1,000; The Bangalore Woollen & Cotton & Silk Mill Co., Ltd., Rs. 1,000; The Khandesh Spg. & Wvg. Mill Co., Ltd., Rs. 501; The Modern Mills Ltd., Rs. 500; The Sholapur Spg. & Wvg. Co., Ltd., Rs. 500; Oriental Government Security Life Assurance Co., Ltd., Rs. 1,500; Native Share & Stock Brokers' Association, Rs. 1,001; Chimanlal Parekh, Rs. 1,000; Lallubhai Amichand, Rs. 1,001; Indian Radio & Cable Communications Co., Ltd., Rs. 1,000; The Oudh Sugar Mills Ltd., Rs. 1,000. The New Swadeshi Sugar Mills Ltd., Rs. 1,000; The Phoenix Mills Ltd., Rs. 1,000; The Bradbury Mills Ltd., Rs. 1,000; The Hindustan Scout Association (Bombay Province), Rs. 800; Devkaran Nanjee Concerns, Rs. 501; Gujarati Bhagini Samaj, Rs. 500; Sir Chunilal B. Mehta, Rs. 500. Total Rs. 1,03,856-0-0.

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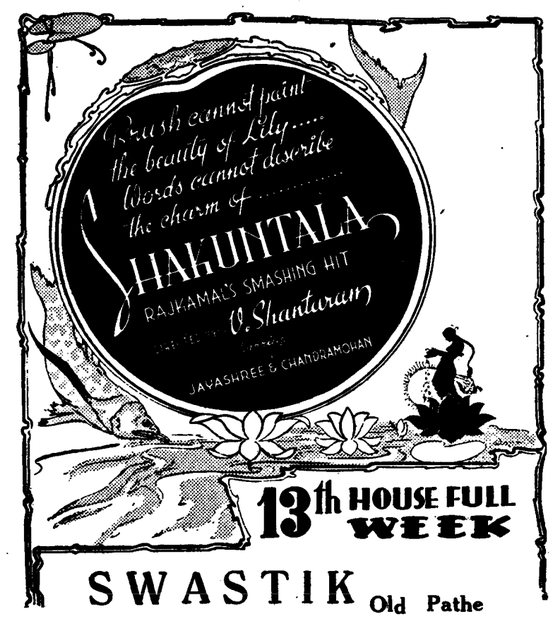

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"TRINITY" NOT BIG FOUR

A mild stir was worked up in the Commons over the "leakage" of news about the Cairo Conference. The "leakage" occurred apparently, at Washington which, perhaps, explains, at least to an extent, the protest voiced by British M.P.'s. Be that as it may, we agree with Mr. Brendan Bracken's suggestion about the principle that should guide publicity in respect of a Conference like the one held at Cairo. "I think," he said, "the best thing is to have no publicity at all or full publicity". There was a time when the first alternative might have been, in fact, was, necessary. But the war situation has entirely changed and with Italy out and the Germans pushed far into Europe and otherwise weakened Allied leaders can move about and meet in complete safety without any secrecy maintained about it all. The main one reason for this secrecy is thus virtually no more. That is why we have not been able to appreciate efforts made later to shroud the Roosevelt-Stalin-Churchill meeting in deliberate vagueness and conflicting suggestions. These efforts, which were bound to fail in any case, have been decisively nullified by Mr. Connolly, Chairman of the U.S. Senate Foreign Affairs Committee, who has authoritatively reported that the Big Three are actually in conference somewhere in the Middle East, presumably Tabriz. We wish the Conference success.

But there is one glaringly conspicuous omission which must be noted and emphasized as extremely significant. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who went all the way to Cairo to attend the Far East Conference is now already back in Chungking. One would have naturally expected him to proceed, along with the Anglo-American Leaders, to the present Conference which started immediately after Cairo and in what is almost a neighbouring country. But no, he had to return to Chungking. The exclusion of the Chinese leader is, in the circumstances, all the more glaring. Why was he ignored and so conspicuously, too, even though China is at war with Germany? It may perhaps, be argued that since China is not, because of geographical impossibility, participating physically in the war in Europe there was little practical point in the Generalissimo attending the Tabriz Conference. This is wrong. Military operations against Germany are only one aspect of the present talks. The other relates to political problems of the post-war period and has a very definite global bearing. Plans formulated and agreed upon at Tabriz will affect, both directly and indirectly, the whole world. Why then was China not included in the talks when it has been declared time and again by responsible Allied leaders—with a certain exception, Mr. Churchill, who unfailingly forgets China and whose "forgetfulness" is later explained away on his behalf—that China will, in the post-war world, occupy a position and enjoy rights and privileged duties co-equal with America, Russia and Britain? There would, we have been incessantly told, a 'Big Four' leadership in the new world order. The absence of China is, therefore, a mystery superficially difficult to understand.

There is, however, an explanation, and it is the only explanation possible. The clue to the mystery is furnished by what may politely be called Mr. Churchill's habitual and consistent lapses of memory where it is a question of China's rightful place. The fact of the matter is that there has never been any intention of including China among the leading Powers of the World. "The Big Four" is a polite fiction, indeed, a deliberate hypocrisy calculated to hide the main design which is to divide the world of the new order into two parts; and to rule both. "The Big Three" will rule Europe direct and they will also rule Asia and Africa through European leadership plus through their 'interests' in Asia and Africa. China cannot be ignored where Asia is concerned. In Asia she is an inescapable reality but the others will also be there and China will not be in "Europe" to spoil "the Trinity" of world leadership. Mr. Churchill's weakness of memory has, we are interested to note, received timely emphasis and confirmation by the positive assertion of Field Marshal Smuts to whom the world ought to be grateful for the extremely revealing phrase "the Trinity" of America, Russia and Britain. We do not know whether Russia is a consciously consenting party at all to the outrage that is being contemplated and has been exposed in the exclusion of China from the Tabriz Conference. But the design is clear: two worlds are being constructed—one the world of white and Imperialist "Europe" —which includes America—and the other the world of its coloured "dependencies" of Asia and Africa with a few countries like China accepted as independent but not allowed practical and working equality in world affairs. It will be a "Trinity" that will rule.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Amery's "No"

Replying to question in Parliament Mr. Amery has once again reiterated his answer that the question of release of political prisoners is not being considered. Lord Wavell, when his selection as Viceroy was announced, declared that he would like to see the Indian deadlock resolved. If the new Viceroy meant what he said, he is certainly not going the right way by continuing to follow Mr. Amery's policy of negation or by seeking to put an end to the food crisis without satisfying the political demands of the people. The enunciation of a sound food policy and, what is more important, its successful execution, are only possible if we have at New Delhi a Government which people can call their own—a Government which is fully representative of them and which can command the willing and enthusiastic allegiance of their hearts and minds. It is a pity that Lord Wavell, who enjoys an advantage which no previous Viceroy, in the early days of his regime, enjoyed—namely, personal knowledge and experience of conditions in the country—cannot realize that first things must come first.

The Contrast

When Mr. Sorensen asked whether it would not be advisable to release political prisoners in India seeing that an example had been set in the Lebanon, Mr. Amery had the temerity to reply that he saw no connection between the two matters. The reply betrays the true mind of the Tory die-hard and imperialist who imagines that he can fool all the people all the times. But the world cannot but be struck by the contrast between the policy adopted by Britain towards the Lebanon and that adopted by it towards India. Both in the Lebanon and India there was a clash between the popular will and alien imperialism. The strategic situation of both the countries and their security and communications are of vital importance for winning the war. And yet Mr. Amery says that he "cannot see any connection between the two matters." Mr. Amery cannot or rather will not see the connection between the Lebanon crisis where the British Government showed their democratic respect for the popular will because it was a rival imperialism that was involved and intervention meant strengthening British imperialism in the Middle East and they defied that will for the selfish reason of holding what was "their own."

Blow To Cotton Growers

"Interpreted in terms of living costs, it will be easily observed that the floors fixed in India (cotton) are not only unfairly and unjustly low; but they are much lower than actual costs of production and even lower than pre-war prices." So states a brochure entitled "A Crushing Blow to the Indian Cotton Farmer" published by Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Company. Sir Chunilal B. Mehta has to his credit valuable experience of the cotton trade for over thirty years and his deep knowledge of the trade has enabled his firm to depict, in a convincing manner, the plight of Indian cotton growers. Government have acted only with a view to fight inflation and have fixed uneconomically lower cotton prices which are bound to prove disastrous to the cotton growers Instead of effectively checking speculation in cloth, innocent cotton growers have been penalised. The representatives of cotton growers seem to have miserably failed in discharging their duties against vested interests of other sections. The publication is available free to all those who are interested in the subject but as it is published only in English it will not be fully understood by the majority of growers in whose interest it is published. Cotton growers have few friends, if any, in the trade and if they wish to protect their interests effectively, they must organise themselves in a strong body, and elect their own representatives and thus put a stop to their own exploitation. There must be a powerful body having members in each cotton producing district to put up a strong fight against exploitation by organised bodies and devise other constructive measures to improve their general economic condition.

INDIA UNITED MILLS

Marwari Business House Takes Charge

BOMBAY, Friday.

Somewhere about a quarter past one this afternoon, the E. D. Sassoon United Mills, being the largest group of textile mills in Bombay consisting of five cotton mills and one dyeing mill was transformed into the India United Mills. This change of name is a result of the transfer of the Managing agency of these mills from E. D. Sassoon and Co. Ltd., one of the biggest British business houses, with manifold business interests in the East to Agarwal and Co., a Marwari business house.

The formal taking over ceremony was performed after 'Pooja' at the Sassoon's Office at Ballard Estate. Mr. Radhakrishna Khaitan, a partner of Agarwal and Co. officiated at the religious function and opened the new registers by marking a large sized Hindu Swastika on their first pages with a paste of 'Kumkum' and sandal.

Sir Victor Sassoon, speaking on the occasion wished the best of luck to the new managing agents. He called upon the staff of E. D. Sassoon, who had been taken over by the new agents to continue to give loyal service, so that he might not later on be accused of having engaged a set of lazy and inefficient people.

Rai Bahadur R. P. Bagla, welcoming the guests hoped that the company would continue to get the same support as before from businessmen in the city. He assured that every attempt would be made to maintain the quality of the manufacture of the mills, the same good relations with the trade and the public and also that care and attention would continue to be bestowed on all welfare work for the workers of the mills.

Price Of Coal

Although there is no shortage of charcoal in the city, the coal merchants have increased the price of this commodity ever since the time new restrictions have been imposed on street lighting. The rate charged at present is Rs. 1-10-0 per maund of 28 pounds. Even after paying so heavy a price we do not get the dry stuff. What we get is wet coal, as wet as we used to get during the rainy season. Living has become too expensive in Bombay and people with modest means find it extremely hard to make both ends meet. Surely Government is in duty bound to come to the rescue of the people who are hard pressed all round.

"A SUFFERER."

"Three Seats"

I have read Mr. B. F. Bharucha's letter which appeared in the issue of November 11. Sir. Azizul-Haque's article "Three Seats" was reproduced in the "Deccan Times" of October 10. Mr. Bharucha may write for a copy to its Office at 137, Broadway, Madras For Outlines of Pakistan. I refer Mr. Bharucha to the Pakistan Resolution, being resolution No. 1 of the League's Lahore Session. It is understood by all, except those who do not want to understand it. In his "Alternative" Sir. Ardeshir Lalal bases his plan on the erroneous belief that Muslims are a mere 'minority community'. How on earth 100 million Muslims with a distinct and separate culture and majorities in North-West and Eastern zones of India, with areas and populations as large and as numerous as any country in Europe, can be called a 'Minority Community'? I am sure I do not misunderstand Sir Ardeshir, when I state that he has failed to understand Muslims' case.

I now put a few questions to Mr. Bharucha. Suppose Muslims and Parsis were to exchange places (in every respect), what would be his reactions if:

(1) Gandhiji were to define 'Swaraj' as 'Ramraj'?

(2) Parsees were termed a mere "minority community" and asked to be content with safeguards and what not?

(3) I were to accuse his leaders as suffering from "communalism, racialism and fake patriotism, etc.?

(4) I were to ridicule and abuse them openly and by various insinuatory suggestions for the "unpardonable crime" of having proposed Pakistan" in AREAS WHERE "Parsis" ARE IN MAJORITIES.

(5) I were to use my pen to create divisions and confusion within "Parsee" ranks?

(6) I were to seek undue favouritism from the Hindu by these "Yes Sir" tactics rather than working to bring about peace between the two claimants?

Sir, I may add that in the absence of an acceptable "Alternative", Pakistan is inevitable; nay indispensable, for MUSLIMS DO COUNT.

G. A. MOLEDINA.

Maratha Educational Conference

It is long time since an announcement was made in some Marathi papers that the session of the Maratha Educational conference would be held at Bombay on the 25th and 26th December next. Though now only about 3 weeks are left for the session, there is no announcement regarding the President or any intimation regarding the lodging and boarding arrangements made by the local committee for delegates coming from outside Bombay. Neither the Local Committee is giving any publicity to the preparations, if any, that may be going on for the session. It is a pity that the session of a premier body like the Maratha Educational Conference should be taken so lightheartedly by the Maratha public. We would have wished that the Bombay Marathas who have undertaken to hold the forthcoming session, after a long period of inaction of that body, should do so in a manner befitting this great institution. Otherwise, it is better that the session be left to be organised by abler hands or held at another place.

MOFUSSIL MARATHA.

ELECT SHRI. CHINAI.

The following appeal has been issued under the signature of Messrs. Velji Lakhamsi Napoo, Lalji Poonsi, Hirji Govindji Thakkar, Javerchand Padamsi, Gordhandas Jadavji, Khatau Vallabhdas, Govindji Padamsi, Haridas Velji, Dosha Harji, Kanji Motibhai Pachan, Govindji Bharmal, Lalji Ramji, Harsukhdas Jodhraj Co., Hirji Ghelabhai, Bhailal Raichand and Co. Lalji Dungarsi and Co., Gangji Kheraj and Co., ao Rao Saheb Tatya Raoji Virchand, Panachand Shah, Salebhai Abdulkadar, Lakhamsi Ghelabhai Shah, Virji Ladhabhai and Co., Thobhanbhai Devji, Meghji Govindji Dharamsi, S. M. Rajgor and Co., Khimji Shamji, Devji Ratansi, Dr. P. G. Smart, Haridas Vallabhdas Thakkar Damji Mavji Shah and Co., P. M. Kenia, Dr. Bhanushankar P. Shukla, Keshavji Mulji Thakkar and Co., Lalji Godhu Thakkar and Co., Meghji Gangji, Mesharng Narshing Joshi, Meghji Hirji Shah and Co. H. G. Trivedi, Motilal Kalliandas and Co., The Mills Stores and Co., Ravji Dhanji Shah and Co., Manilal Shamji Popat, Narbheram Narsidas Popat, Varjivandas Hirji and Co., Liladhar Pagu and Co., Arjan Khimji and Co., Chimanlal Jethabhai Varddhman and Dr Mansukhlal G. Kothari.

You must be aware that the Bombay Municipal Congress Party has selected Shri Babubhai alias Pannalal Maneklal Chinai of Messrs. Nagindas Fulchand Chinai, a well-known firm of our Ward, to contest a seat in the ensuing by-election of Mandvi and Chakla, Ward No. 3, now being vacant, on account of the death of Dr. Poonshi Meisheri.

Shri Pannalal Chinai is serving the public and the nation in his humble way since 1930 and being a merchant he has an aptitude to serve the merchants and public.

Mandvi Ward merchants have always stood by the Congress and have declared their faith in the Congress. In the same way we, the abovesigned merchants of Mandvi Ward heartily support the candidature of Shri Chinai and appeal to the voters of Mandvi Ward to elect Shri Chinai and thus once again publicly declare their allegiance to the Congress.

HE REPLIED TO 'CONGRESS RESPONSIBILITY FOR DISTURBANCES'

Arguments In Khanna's Case Trial

NEW DELHI, Dec. 3.

Mr. Jugul Kishore Khanna, Secretary of the Delhi Provincial Congress Committee was tried today before the Additional District Magistrate under the Defence of India Rules, for failure to comply with the Chief Commissioner's order directing him to present himself before the C.I.D. Superintendent, and for preparing a manuscript in reply to the publication "Congress responsibility for disturbances."

Mr. Noor-ud-Din, arguing for the accused, said that the document alleged to have been recovered by the police was a harmless criticism of a very harmful document and should not have been made the subject of a prosecution. "Congress responsibility for disturbances" was not a Government's publication, it was just a propaganda pamphlet issued by Sir Richard Tottenhem, Additional Secretary to the Home Department. Counsel submitted that the people who had been attacked in the publication had a right to criticise it.

RIGHT TO CRITICISE

The book contained allegations which were not proved by evidence, and did not form the subject-matter of any judicial enquiry. The book had made a violent attack on the representatives of the people. Counsel further submitted that Mr. Khanna as a responsible man in the Congress, was perfectly entitled to reply to the publication.

Sir Chhotu Ram, a responsible Minister of Punjab, had used far stronger language than Mr. Khanna had and the newspapers had made equally strong comments; yet the Government did not take any notice.

The prosecuting Inspector, arguing for the Crown said that the manuscript was not a 'bona fide' criticism of the Government's publication, but bore the headings such as "Do or Die" and "Quit India."

On the second case, Mr. Noor-ud-Din said that the order against Mr. Khanna had not been lawfully made as it was not properly signed. He declared that as Rule 26 had been declared null and void a fresh notification should have been made by the Chief Commissioner.

Judgment in both cases will be delivered on Monday.—A.P.

ESCAPED CONGRESSMAN RE-ARRESTED

Prem Kishan Khanna, a Congressman of Delhi, who escaped from Qazi Hauz Police station some time last year, was arrested in the United Provinces, and has been brought to Delhi and detained in the District Jail. For taking out a procession in Chandni Chowk, Radhey, a Congress volunteer, has been sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment.—A.P.

CITY JOURNALIST RELEASED

POONA, Dec. 3.

Mr. B. R. Dhurandar, Assistant Editor of "Navakal," along with other two detenus, Mr. Chandulal Sonalal Shah and Ratnashi Chapashi was unconditionally released to-day from the Yerawada jail.

ALLEGED BOMB-THROWERS ACQUITTED

SHOLAPUR, Dec. 3.

The prosecution evidence being "unsatisfactory and unconvincing" the Sessions Judge has acquitted seven accused charged with throwing bombs in some schools and colleges in October, 1942.

PRESS-OWNER IN TROUBLE

KARACHI:—Mr. Jhaman Sakhawatrai, proprietor of the Amar Printing Press, Nawabshah, was arrested and challaned before the Sub-Divisional Magistrate under D.I.R. for the alleged use of newsprint for leaflets in contravention of the Newsprint Control Order. He has been released on bail. The editors of two weeklies of Nawabshah are also being prosecuted on a similar charge.

RELEASED IN APPEAL

(From A Correspondent).

BHOPAL, (By Mail).

Mr. Govind Prasad, the Office Secretary, Bhopal State Peoples' Conference, Messrs. Vithaldasji Bajaj and Razmi, who were arrested in 1942 with Shakirali Khan and seven others for supporting the August Resolution and whose trial lasted for ten months and out of whom four abovenamed were sentenced to various terms of R.I. with fine in July last, were acquitted on 27th of November by the Chief Justice of Bhopal High Court holding the already undergone sentence sufficient.

Shakirali Khan, the ex-President and Member, Working Committee, Bhopal Prajamandal.

DACOITS KILL POLICEMAN

(From Our Correspondent).

AMRELI, Dec. 3.

Ten armed dacoits looted village Bhandaria, near Gariyadhar, under Palitana State yesterday night murdered policeman Khodubha and decamped with Rs. 10,000. Two others were seriously injured.

MAGISTRATE'S HOUSE BURGLED.

BIJAPUR, Dec. 3.

A dacoity was committed at the house of the Resident Magistrate, Bijapur and ornaments worth about Rs. 1,200 taken away.

Petitions Under Press Act Dismissed

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Wadia, Mr. Justice Lokur and Mr. Justice Weston)

Dowlat Ram S. Hatangdi, Publisher of the "People's War" ..... Applicant

vs.

The Government of Bombay ..... Opponent.

This was an application by the publisher of an English weekly newspaper which was the organ of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of India, to revise an order passed under Section 7(3) of the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act of 1931 by the Government of Bombay on 19th August last, requiring the petitioner to deposit with the Chief Presidency Magistrate Rs. 1,500 for publishing in the "People's War" of 3rd January, 14th and 28th March, 11th April and 13th June, 1943 words which incited and expressed approval of the Commission of offences and which tended to bring the Government into hatred. The first para of these articles dealt with four peasant Communist leaders of Malabar who had been sentenced to death for the murder of police constable. On 3rd August, the matter was placed before the Bombay Provincial Press Advisory Committee who made a unanimous recommendation that no action was called for.

A similar application was also made by Sharaf Athar Ali, the Keeper of the New Age Printing Press where the "People's War" is being printed, against a similar order of the Government of Bombay.

Their Lordships dismissed both the petitions holding that the words complained of were objectionable under Sub-Section (b) of Section 4(1) of the Indian Press (Emergency Power) Act of 1931 as expressing approval of offences, but not under Sub-Clause (a) or Sub-Clause (d) thereof.

'INDIANS IN NATAL MUST GET FRANCHISE'

Round Table Will Settle Dispute, Says South African Minister For Interior

PIETER MARITZBURG, Dec. 3.

"In my personal opinion, the question of Indian Representation must be faced first in Town Councils, then in Provincial Councils and the Union Parliament", said the Minister for Interior, Mr. Clarkson, addressing the Natal Municipal Executive.

"I am confident that Municipal Franchise on a communal basis will have to be granted to Indians on property and educational qualification. I personally can see no reason why communal Franchise should not also be granted on property and educational qualification for provincial councils and the union parliament. We cannot expect the Indian population which now equals the European population in Natal to be 'voiceless' in the control of municipal and state affairs. This, of course, cannot take place immediately, but *I am raising the matter now because it is one to which earnest attention will have to be given*".

The question of residential occupation is a South African problem and "we in South Africa have got to settle the question without interference from outside".

Suggestions for repatriation of Indians to India was unworthy of serious consideration. The repatriation schemes were dead. Over 85 per cent of the Indians in South Africa were South African born and they would certainly not think of leaving Natal notwithstanding some disabilities they claimed they were suffering from to go to India or any other place. The Indians knew when they were well off. "We have, therefore to face up to a position that the 'Indian is here and entitled to be here and will play his part in the economic development of the country and we must recognise this fact and plan accordingly." I am confident that if the matter is faced squarely by both Europeans and Indian a solution can be found without loss of dignity on either side.

VIRTUE IN INDIAN

"I realise that there is a section of the European population who see no virtue at all in the Indian and is all out for any repressive measures that can be brought into existence to make things not only uncomfortable but degrading for him."

He hoped that the Natal Municipalities would meet the Natal Indian Congress in a Round Table talk to see whether it was possible to get an agreement regarding the areas being set aside either for Indian occupation or open areas where Indians could purchase without the anti-Asiatic clause being imposed.—Reuter.

NEW DELHI, Dec 3.—A press "communique" says: The Thirteenth Session of the National Defence Council will be held at the Viceroy's House, New Delhi, on the 13th, 14th and 15th January, 1944. His Excellency the Viceroy will preside.

INDIAN SEAMEN'S ISSUE IN COMMONS

LONDON, Dec. 2.

Mr. Amery was asked in the Commons to-day by Mr. Rhys Davies (Labour) about complaints of the All-India Seamen's Centre in London against low wages and unfair conditions of employment covering Indian seamen and whether his Department was interested itself in this problem.

Mr. Amery replied: "Yes, I have forwarded a memorandum by the All-India Seamen's Centre to the Government of India who already have under active consideration conditions of service of Indian seamen. In the meantime I am glad to say that steps were taken some time ago to alter the methods of recruitment at Calcutta and to improve shore accommodation in this country".

Mr. Rhys Davies asked: "Is there any Department of State in India akin to our Ministry of Labour which does interest itself in conditions of employment of Indian seamen and will Mr. Amery bear in mind that most of these Indian seamen are employed on British ships and therefore we have some responsibility in the matter?"

Mr. Amery: "There is of course an efficient Department of Labour in the Government of India, but I understand that the question of seamen comes under the Department of Commerce and has engaged the active consideration of the members of the Executive Council in charge of that Department.—Reuter.

Passage For Wives Of Civil Servants

Mr. Amery told the House of Commons on Thursday that the Government of India are examining the cases of wives of Civil Servants wishing to join their husbands in India with a view to allotting such few passages as may become available to those whose circumstances involved most serious hardship. The number of berths likely to be available was, however, very few indeed and there was little probability of the position improving in the near future of any considerable number of these distressing cases being relieved.—Reuter.

NEW DELHI: The next meeting of the Standing Labour Committee will be held at Lucknow, on January 7 and 8, 1944.

Sir H. P. Mody Interviewed

By D. F. KARAKA

Since his joint statement with N. R. Sarkar, a great deal of attention has centred round Sir H. P. Mody. But H. P. is difficult to get hold of. He has been elusive since his resignation from the Viceroy's Executive Council early this year. Even now like mercury he slips out of one's hand. This is understandable in view of the position he held and the confidence with which he was entrusted. Behind a flippant exterior which allows him to preside over a Cricket Club and make statements on dancing, and over a Symphony Orchestra, he has an old-time loyalty and a sense of discipline for fairness, which debars him from speaking about the present administration and the men who are in it. He was reluctant to express opinions on individuals and, therefore, his comment can only be inferred from his silence. Nor can I mention the points on which he was silent.

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H. P. Mody's resignation had some meaning for us. There must have been more sadness in Delhi and Whitehall at one Mody who resigned than at eleven Congress ministries giving up their portfolios. To Linlithgow's Caesar Mody alone could play Brutus. He did. And overnight he said good-bye to a political career. The gates closed behind him. From Bureaucracy he came back to Big Business which was the spring board from which, as representative of the Millowners' Association, he had made his first big jump. To-day he keeps cool in his air-conditioned room at Tatas, though feeling the warmth of those many new friends he made because he resigned on a humanitarian though political issue, or to use the words of his statement, "on a sharp difference of opinion." Some people think Mody has lost; others that he has gained.

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H. P. Mody's statement issued with N. R. Sarkar has been read with great interest all over the country. It is a positive statement. Explaining it, Mody said that what he wanted the Viceroy to do was to make a public offer to form a National Government on the basis of the Cripps' offer. This offer should be made publicly instead of making it to individuals in private. "The value of this would be that the offer would become the property of the nation as a whole." As he had said, in his statement earlier: "It would be both a challenge and an invitation to India as a whole to assume the reins of power at one of the turning points of history and it might well be that such a procedure might evoke what might be regarded as a national verdict."

H. P. explained that while the Viceroy's veto would remain, from his own experience, he had no doubt that virtually the administration of the country would be in the National Government's hands. He referred to the working of the Governor's veto in the Provinces during the Congress administration. "What did the Governors do? They were backing up the Congress Ministries for all they were worth. It is common knowledge that Congress Ministries had pretty much their own way at that time and it is also common knowledge that even on critical occasions when the Governors were in disagreement, they gave in to their Ministries."

"Do you think," H. P. went on to say, "that if Cripps' offer had been accepted and worked and a National Government had been formed, Lord Linlithgow could have afforded to flout the unanimous verdict of such a Government in face of Indian, British and American public opinion? That was a great mistake—this rejection of Cripps' offer."

"The release of Congress leaders must naturally precede any such public offer by Lord Wavell," H. P. repeated as he said in the statement.

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I pointed out that in the statement he had said that this action of the Government, namely, keeping the Congress leaders in jail, lent itself to the interpretation that it was "punitive."

"What else can it be?" came his retort, "When a man is detained during His Majesty's pleasure, the purpose of this power was to detain him only so long as the emergency existed. There is no justification for keeping that man a day longer. The emergency has passed. The movement is dead. Who has the stomach for reviving it? It would be futile and mischievous to try to revive it and it would condemn the Congress at the bar of world opinion. And you could then always clap them in—and with justification. But you can't keep men under that emergency power indefinitely".

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Mody made an important point. It was important, in that it was made by a man who had no advantage in making it. "Nobody can dispute," he said, "the strength of the Congress or of the Muslim League without whose participation one can't think in terms of the formation of a National Government. Muslim opinion is as solidly behind Jinnah as the large mass of political opinion was behind the Mahatma and the Congress. You can't burke it." That from a man who was neither a Congressman nor a Muslim Leaguer and who was till recently a Member of the Viceroy's Executive Council should be a pointer to those abroad who are constantly asking what the Congress and the Muslim League mean in terms of India. This is the sort of opinion not held nor expressed by "our" propagandists abroad.

Mody revealed he had not met Wavell since the latter's appointment as Viceroy. Asked whether Wavell was likely to make any political pronouncement, Mody said: "Not for sometime at any rate. I don't think he would say anything till he felt sure there was a possibility of something being done."

"Therefore, I feel," Mody added, "that Indian public opinion should ask for a National Government with one voice. At present the Government of India's standpoint is that there is no response. But if a sufficient demand could be made for such a National Government which would not disturb the essentials of the Constitution it would be difficult for the Viceroy to withstand it."

These were only the things he said. They merely pointed the way. But when I thought of the many things to which he would not give an answer—and to which no one in his place could give an answer, I realised how much greater freedom I enjoyed when I spoke as an individual than he could ever do. More than anything else I realised that after sailing over many rough seas he had come at last to the dry-dock of politics for such overhauling as men in politics require. The amazing thing about H.P. was that he was doing his own repairs—repairing valves, fitting new ones, where he had discarded the old. One day when re-launched he would be a steadier, speedier and bolder ship. From an old tub he was being re-conditioned to do the job of a destroyer.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Mr. Amery declined to give any information when asked whether in order to counter Japanese propaganda he could make a statement regarding the political nature of Burma after its reconquest. He said that the best counter to Japanese propaganda was Allied victory.—Reuter.

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We notice that the Karachi arrangements re the League President-Elect's (rather a literary understatement) procession include, in addition to the 31 camels with 31 Indian Arab looking Haji riders, the following item too:

"A map of Pakistan delineated on a rotating globe will be carried in the procession."

Which, after being duly ovated and later auctioned on behalf of the Muslim League, will be formally announced by the Qaid-e-Azam as not committing the Muslim League to it.

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Assuring the Commons that the food situation was somewhat better, Mr. Amery, however, added: "I regret to say that a serious outbreak of cholera in Bengal has followed upon the famine."

Mr. Amery's courtesy is deeply appreciated.

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Mr. Amery also reported that during October deaths in Bengal from cholera averaged 5,349 per week.

Evidently Mr Amery's former but more reliable informants have deserted him.

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An amendment has been tabled in the House of Commons, criticising the King's speech because it contained no "mention of India or of the grave social conditions there."

Why should Churchill have done so? Does any "civilised" gentleman ever mention his "servants' hall", his labourers' tenements or the conditions therein in conversation among his fellows?

Except occasionally to resent the insolence of the lower classes or discuss the unavoidable necessity of putting them down.

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Defending himself in connection with the release of Sir Oswald Mosley, the might-have-been Britain's Quisling, Mr. Herbert Morrison says: "When people made speeches or passed resolutions on the basis that it was the Home Secretary's duty to decide whether or not a man should continue to be detained solely on the ground of his opinion, then they were endangering civil liberty."

We should have shouted our hearty agreement, from the housetops, but for the fact that we have, of necessity, a keen sense of our own security.

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According to Field Marshal Smuts there will, after the war, be a "trinity" of the U.S., Russia and Britain to lead the world.

The South African British patriot and statesman has, of course, two very important reasons for dropping China.

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The Germans, it is reported are hurriedly building roads capable of bearing heavy traffic through Yugoslavia and Albania.

The Allies ought to appreciate this highly helpful assistance to their war effort—provided they intend any effort.

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Employer: "What did you mean by telling me you had seven years' experience in a bank when you never had a job before?"

Youth: "Well, you advertised for a man with imagination."

Memorial To Aga Hashr Proposed

The Khatau Alfred Theatrical Company staged the popular social play, 'Anab-ka-Nasha', by the late Aga Hashr Kashmiri at the Hallivala Theatre on Monday last in aid of the Sawantwadi State Muslim Association.

Dr. D. G. Vyas who presided over the function congratulated the proprietor on his generosity to give his current play as a benefit performance. He appreciated the efforts of the association for promoting education among the Muslims of Sawantwadi and appealed to the audience to contribute liberally to the funds of the association.

Dr. Vyas expressed the opinion that education was one of the elementary needs of mankind and that India being extremely backward the richer communities irrespective of the religion and political affiliation should always help the smaller and poor communities, in the matter of education. He stressed that education was a national need and should be approached from national point of view. Further Dr. Vyas paid a tribute to the late Aga Hashr Kashmiri and mentioned his splendid contributions to the Hindi and Urdu Stage of India and indicated the necessity of perpetuating his memory in an appropriate manner.

Mr. A. A. Nami, Lecturer, surveyed the work of the late Aga Hashr Kashmiri who started his career at Bombay right from the age of 15 to the age of 55 when he died at Lahore busy in shooting his last picture, "Bhisham". Prof. Nami also dealt with the times and circumstances under which he wrote 17 Urdu, 9 Hindi 4 Sanskrit and 1 Bengali dramas. He said that there were still half a dozen plays of his that have not been staged. Only 16 of his plays beginning with Shirin Farhad by the Madans and ending with Saied Haves by the Stage Film Co., had been brought to the screen. He supported the proposals of Dr. Vyas for the construction of a suitable mausoleum at the grave of Aga Hashr Kashmiri.

The Vice-President of the association, Mr. F. M. Begg then thanked the president guests and the audience and also Mr. F. R. K. Irani the proprietor of the Khatow Alfred Theatrical Co., and Mr. Dorabji Dhanji Shah, manager, Ballivala, theatre.

Govt. Move To Take Over S. I. Railway

NEW DELHI, Dec. 3.

A provisional settlement for the acquisition of the South Indian Railway by the Government of India is referred to in a report from London. The Government of India having expressed a desire to terminate the company's contract before the first option date, December 31, 1945, negotiations have been proceeding between the Secretary of State and the Board to arrive at a figure of compensation to stockholders for premature termination of their contract. A provisional settlement which is subject to acceptance by stockholders has been arrived at on the basis that the contract is to be determined as at March 31, 1944, on payment by the Secretary of State of £1,112,500 as the price for the Company's interests.—A. P.

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE TO-MORROW SUNDAY at 10-30 A.M. (S.T.) Property of a European gentleman M. Parker and others at Babula] Mansion, Chowpatty Sea Face, of complete household and office furniture. Allwyn and Godrej steel almirahs, Remington Standard and portable typewriter, Singer machine, Elec. table fan, Godrej, and other fire proof safes, dining table, chairs, sideboard, cabinet, show cases, writing tables, dressing tables, Chesterfield sets, almirahs, bed with box mattress, etc. T. N. 40213.

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CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, Friday.

SHARES: The share bazar was dull with a restricted turnover and quotations fluctuated within a narrow range. In the absence of any fresh development, trading remains at a low level and neither Bears nor Bulls possibility of any important change in the present price structure. Cotton Mill shares were steady with some activity in Century shares at Rs. 972 while Kohinoors stood at Rs. 626. Bombay Dyeings were quoted at Rs. 1,945 Tata Steel Dfds were quoted at Rs. 1,990 and Ordinary shares were placed at Rs. 399.

TEXTILE SECTION: Ahmed. Advance 507-8. Apollo xd 5-9. Bharat Mills 88. Bom. Dyeing 1943-12. Cent. India 489. Century 970. Colaba 248. Dawn 1640, Edward Sassoon 781-4. Elphinstone 105. Finlay 339. Gokak 349. Hindustan 4100. Ind. Bleaching 240. Ind. Manfg. 4100. Ind. United Ordy 21-2, do Defd. 4-8. Indore Malwa 1155. Khatau xd 420. Kohinoor 626. Lakshmi 1695. Madhowji 29-14. Minerva 230. Model Nagpur 347-8. Madhusudan 550. Meyer Sassoon 235. Morarji 772-8. Mysore 263-12. New City 435. New Great 439. Phoenix 710. Podar Mills 397-8. Sassoon Spg. 32-4. do Silk 103-8. Sholapur 9135. Simplex 235. Swadeshi 598. Swan 313-8. Tata Mills 75-8. Vishnu 2670. Shri Nivas 427-8. Western India 3700.

INS. SECTION: Bom Life 207 Empire Life 807-8. Oriental 6000. Ind. Mercantile 90. Indust. & Prudent 38. Jupiter 27-8. New India 80-12. Vulcan 16-14.

HYDRO & ELEC. SECTIONS: Ahmed Elec 202-8. Ajmere 14-4. And. Valley 1900. Bom. Tram Ord. 158-8. Bom. Suburban 197-8. Broach 13-12. Karachi 246. Poona 300. Surat 195-4. do New Rs 50 Pd. 70. Tata Hydro Ord. 203. Tata Power Ord. 1922-8.

BANK SECTION: Baroda Bank 149. Bank of India 227. Central Bank 89-8. Imperial F.P. 1970. do P.P. 495. Reserve Bank 131-8. Union Bank 11-3. Habib Bank 87.

PREF SHARES: 7 per cent And. Valley 1725. 6 per cent Bom. Steamer 437 7 per cent do Tram 80-8. 5 per cent Cent. India 745. 6-1/2 per cent Jupiter 19-12. 6-1/2 per cent Surat 193-12. 6-1/4 per cent Prem. Const. 1st 136. 6-1/4 do 2nd 136. 6 per cent Tata I. & S. 1st 223-12. 7-1/2 per cent do 2nd 168-8. 7 per cent do Hydro 176-4. 7 1/2 per cent do Power 1781-4. 7 per cent Vishnu 785.

DEBENTURES: 4 per cent And. Valley 106 4 per cent Tata Chem. 280 4 per cent Tata Power 108. 6 per cent Marsland Price 121.

RAILWAY SECTION: Ahmed. Prantej 857-8. Cent. Prov. 109. Dhond Baramati 118, Guzerat 97. Hoshiarpur Doab 106. Mandra Bhon 103, Mymensing Rebt 105, do Gtd. 104, Sara Sirajganj 105. Sialkot Narowal 125. do New 54. Upper Sind Ltd. 116.

MISCS. GROUP: Alembic Chem. 343. Alcock Ashdown 592-8. Asso. Cement 226. Bom Burma old 437-8. do New 155-10. Bom. Steamer 695. Belapur 261. B. B. Petrol 3-8. Dena Invest 27. Invest Trust 63-12. Prem. Const 237. Port Canning 104-12. Radio Ord. 501-4. do Defd 461-4. Scindia 37-15. Shivrajpur 80-8. Tata Chem 33-4. Tata Oil 86-8. Tata Ordy 399. Tata Defd. 1991-4. Wimco 326-4. B.I.C. 6-10. Burma Corp. 3-13. Ind Copper 2-13-1/2. do Iron 36. Steel Corp. 28-3. New Vict. Ord. 11-2. United Com. Bank 71-8 Hindustan Com. Bank 62-12. Elphins. Pref. 212-8. Bradbury Ord. 400. Dharamsi Chem. 69.

GOVT. SECURITIES: 2-3/4 per cent 1948-52 Loan 99-12, 3-1/2 per cent G.P Note 97-8. 3 per cent 1946 Def. Loan 102-5, 8 per cent 1949-52 do 100-9, 3 per cent 1951-54 do 100-2, 3 per cent 1953-55 Def. 100-14 3 per cent 1963-65 Loan 98-7, 3-/2 per cent 1947-50 Loan 103-6, 4 per cent 1960-70 Loan 111-15 4-1/2 per cent 1955-60 Loan 115-8.

CROP DEBENTURES: 4 per cent B. P.T. 1974 113. 4 per cent M. Deb 1974 113. 5 per cent do 1959, 121. 6 per cent do 1954 120-2. 6 per cent K P T 1956 134.

TAX FREE LOANS: 5 per cent 1945-55 Loan 106-3. 4 per cent 1953-63 Mysore 124. 5 per cent Mysore 1955 135.

BULLION: Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4-03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d and New York spot silver was quoted at 43-3/4 cents. The local market was quietly steady with a restricted turnover and quotations fluctuated within a narrow range. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 123, and delivery business was done at Rs. 122/4. Ready gold stood at Rs. 75/11 and delivery contracts were done at Rs. 75/1.

In the afternoon there was renewed heavy selling influenced by unfounded rumours and the market was weak. Closing quotations: Ready gold Rs. 75/2; Delivery Rs. 74/6; Sovereigns Rs. 51/12; Ready silver Rs. 122; Delivery Rs. 121/4.

COTTON: The local market opened steady at Rs. 459/8 for January delivery and advanced to Rs. 462/12 when the rise was checked by realising and the market steadied at Rs. 462. It is now believed that arrivals in January will be smaller which influenced increased demand in the near month while March stood at a discount of rupee one and May was Rs. 3 higher over January. The market was steady but any further advance is likely to meet increased realising.

The market remained quiet at Rs. 460/8 but towards the close there was renewed buying and prices improved to Rs. 463/8. The market closed at 6 p.m. as under:

	Rs. a. p.
I. C. C. Jan.	462 4 0
,, Mar.	461 8 0
,, May	465 12 0

COTTON PARITY: Indian cotton January contract is 153 points below New York January at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES
I. C. C. Jan. 461/8 458 459/4
,, Mar 462/8 458 459/4
,, May 467/8 463 463/8

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Tata Steel Dfd (1985) 1980 85 82 86 62 96 91 97 95 91/4; T.S. Ordy (399) 399 400 399; Dyeing (1942/8) 1945 38 46 47 45 50 46 43/12; Century 963) 964 63 68 66 69 76 74 72 76 70; Kohinoor (624) 625 24 27 25 27 26 28 26; Swadesh (599) 599 600 599; Nagpur (469) 469 70 69 68 67/8 69; Simplex (281/8) 281 80/8 82 85; New Great (436) 438 39; P. Const. (237) 236/8 35 37; Cement (224) 224/8 25/4 25 26/8. 25/8 26.

NEW YORK COTTON
NEW YORK, Dec. 2.

December 19.30+17; January 19.24+15; March 19.35+14; May 19.02+15; July 18.80+17; October 18.50+15; March highest 19.31+20; (11-17 a.m.) lowest 19.15 (10 a.m.) Middling spot 20.09+14.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
December 19.44+22; January 19.39+22, March 19.42+17; May 19.19+16 July 18.97+19; October 18.58+19; Middling spot 19.32+17.

NEW YORK COTTON
NOON CALL
December 19.35; March 19.25; May 19.00.

LONDON SILVER
LONDON, Dec. 2.
To-day's Price.
Spot 23-1/2; Forward 23-1/2.

LONDON GOLD
London Gold fine per oz £8-8-0.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN
LONDON, December 2.

Total bullion £1,827,000; Public deposits £12,900,000; (a) Other deposits £225,600,000; Government securities £204,300,000; (b) Other securities £24,900,000; Notes, gold and silver coin £21,000,000; Notes in circulation £1,030,800,000; Ratio of Reserve to liabilities £8.81 per cent; (a) Other deposits include bankers £168,000,000; (b) Other securities include discounts and advance £6,100,000; Total deposits £238,500,000. Total securities £229,200,000.

'Gunpowder & Blitzkrieg'

Savarkar's Retort To Vatican Organ On Christianity In India

BOMBAY, Dec. 1.

"Anyone who thinks that the Christian Light shines in this subcontinent, or that it is going to blaze forth either through spontaneous or enforced propaganda conversations, will soon find himself living in a fool's paradise".

Thus observed Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, in a statement to the "United Press" referring to the writings in the official Vatican Organ "Osservatore Ramano" that "the Christian Light shines already in the sub-continent, India. We hope one day it will blaze forth in full splendour".

PLIGHT OF CHRISTIANITY

"If the tree is judged by its fruit", Mr. Savarkar said, 'then Christianity must be effectively judged by its moral moulding of European and American Continents where that faith has already been 'blazing forth in full splendour' for centuries. But this full blaze is smelling suffocatingly of nothing but gun-powder and Biltzkrieg. Surely the Vatican could not have chosen more absurdly ridiculous a moment to wish India to blaze forth with Christianity than this one when Hitler, Mussolini, Churchill, Roosevelt and the leaders of almost all Christian nations are vowing bloody vengeance against each other and singing Hallelujahs to Moloch in churches meant for the Christ, when the Vatican, the capital of the High Priest of the Prince of Peace itself was only yesterday honouring Mussolini, is to-day 'blazing forth in full splendour' under the bombardment from air and praying through the mouth of cannon to save itself.

"If Christianity is to be judged by these its foremost representatives of the Christian world we cannot help retorting in the words of Tennyson, 'The Rome of Nero, the Rome of Pope; which is better, which is worse!', and cannot but pray that may the Lord save us from the Christian Saviour! But if Christianity constitutes the essence of the Sermon on the Mount then we must tell His Holiness the Pope. 'Physician heal thyself first!' Hindusthan, the land of Buddha from whose 'Dhasa Dharmas' the ten Commandments were roughly copied and the land of the Upanishadas from which Buddha derived those 'Dhasa Dharmas' can take care of herself."—United Press.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, Friday.

Lady Colville visited the Women's Work Room. The Governor of Bombay dined with Mr. H. V. Pointon at the Yacht Club and afterwards attended the Finals of the Boxing Championships of the Bombay Presidency Amateur Boxing Federation at the Cooperage.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

I am now able to reveal that Frank Owen, Beaverbrook's Ace journalist, is coming with another man from England to take charge of Public Relations on the Mountbatten outfit. I gave a hint about this two weeks ago when I was not able to disclose the name. It is now confirmed.

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The picture that appears in the 'Sports Herald' of this week showing Major Gulliland, the paid Secretary of the Turf Club, in the weighing room with his legs cocked up while Colonel Crickley, a Steward and a Colonel, looks on is not a picture which will do the administration of the Turf Club or military discipline in India any good. The Turf Club should be careful of what pictures it allows to be taken of its officials.

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The renewal of the Turf Club lease will soon be up for consideration and in the general interest it does not do any good to have the impression get abroad that the Turf Club administration is being carried on contrary to the wishes of the large section of the public which patronizes this institution. Sooner or later the public is bound to make its voice felt and if the press and the public cannot influence the Turf Club to give way to public opinion, other avenues will be explored. I feel quite certain that the renewal of the Turf Club lease will be the bargaining weapon. I am not indulging in wishful thinking. I am only warning those interested in the welfare of the Turf Club. The Turf Club has every right to decide its own policy, but the moment it has to depend on a Municipal Corporation for the renewal of its lease, those who have been unsatisfied with the Turf Club's policy will not miss the opportunity of putting pressure on it through the Corporation. It's been done before. It can be done again. I don't want to start anything. I only want to give a warning that the fire which looked only an ember is only waiting to break out again.

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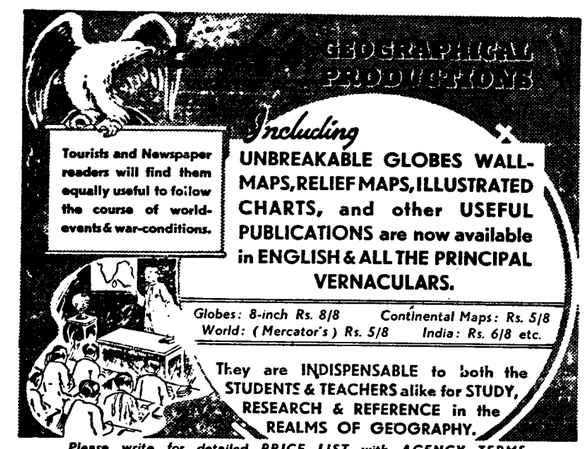
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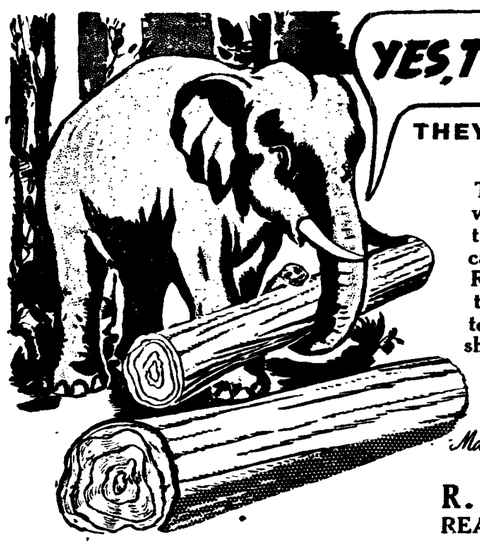

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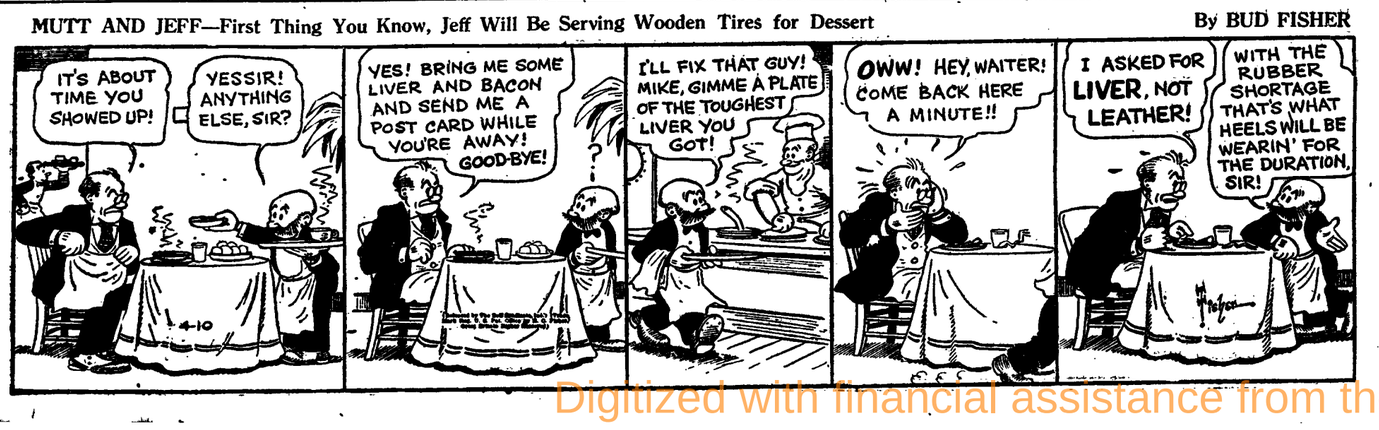
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141. EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Wanted 100 Girls to learn Type-writing. Interview Lady Principal. 'Premierschool'. Hillroad, Bandra (3412)

Private Tuition, Accountancy, Company Law, etc. for all examinations. Experienced tutor. Apply Box 3409, "Bombay Chronicle."

117. MOTOR CAR FOR SALE

For Sale Morris 12 Saloon with sliding roof. Very good condition 30 miles per gallon guaranteed. Price Rs. 6,000|- no offers. Ring Chandrakant No. 42167. 3 to 7 H.M. (3405).

BOOKS

Earn Rs. Six daily. Buy Easy Cot-ton Calculation at Rs. 4. Fulgaliwalla, Ahmed Bldg., Golpitha, Bombay. 3397

327 AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Wholesale and Retail Agents for Sale of Woollen Fabrics, Knitting Wools, Tweeds, Dry Fruits, Honey, Tera and Saffron. Terms. V. P. P. Kashmir Gift Shop, Tamkipora, Srinagar. 3388

Wanted distributors for Bombay City for an excellent patent medicine. Apply Box No. 3411, "Bombay Chronicle."

Playing Cards—Wanted Stockists and Distributors for high class Playing Cards. Write for samples and quotations to Favri Sons & Co., P. O. Box 463, Bombay. 1741

BUSINESS OFFERS

For Registration of Trade Marks Please see Experience in Trade Marks' Office. Fatechand Shah, Bharat Bhuval, Kalbadevi, Bombay 2. Tel. 30751. (3401)

303. MACHINERY WANTED

Wanted: Chilled Steel Twin-roll and Triple-roll Mill Grinders—with water cooling device—and power driven. Also other machinery for rubber manufacture. Please communicate immediately to S. N. & Co., No. 1 Guindy Road, Adyar, Madras. 3389

322. MACHINERY FOR SALE

For Sale: One unused Air Com-pressure, one Clip Stentering Machine, Rubber Rolls, B & D's Draw & Inter Frames, Fluted Rollers. Eadie's Rings, Spindles, Arbours. other textile mill machinery and parts, second hand. Apply to Box No. 7041, "Bombay Chronicle."

651 MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

Calcutta Gunnies Broker (Guja-rati) with high influence and honest, expert in Shipping Line wants to act as Representative only on Brokerage Basis. Apply Box No. 3385, "Bombay Chronicle"

A building in James Street, Se-cunderabad in which there were Cinema Companies before, is to be let out for Cinema purposes. The building will be converted to suit latest Cinema requirements either by demolishing the present building and rebuilding it or by making necessary changes in the present building. Companies interested should communicate with Box No. 3367, "Bombay Chronicle."

A site in a finest and most cen-tral business locality in Hyderabad City, is available for the Construction of a most up-to-date and luxurious Cinema Building which will be constructed by the owner himself according to the design to be provided by the Prospective Tenants. Those Cinema Companies who can conveniently pay rent of B. C. Rs. 2,500|- to Rs. 3,000|- may kindly communicate with Box No. 3384, "Bombay Chronicle."

653. MISCELLANEOUS WANTED

Wanted. 6 Volt Battery Radio & H M. V. Portable Gramophone, state condition price. Radhesh Kumar 61, Hazrat Gunj Lucknow. (3349)

Wanted Regular Supply of Collap-sible tubes and 2 oz beautiful jars for shaving cream and snow. Apply Box No. 3406. "Bombay Chronicle."

The Polish Camp Valivade, Kolha-pur urgently needs a Piano or a Grand Piano, also a Violin in good condition. Please make any reasonable offer as earliest as possible. Mgr. Siedmiagraj, Adult Educational Department, Polish Refuge Camp, Valivade, Kolhapur. 3387

652. MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Rs. 3,75,000 puchases freehold cor-ner property on Hornby Road yielding 5½ per cent nett after paying Municipal and property taxes. Enquire Box No. 3395. 'Bombay Chronicle."

For Sale at Panchgani Final Plot No. 3, Scheme No. 1, Area 6910 sq. yds. having roads on 3 sides and ready permission to build on. Apply S. M. Batha, Panchgani or Nazir, Parisian Dairy, Tamarind Lane, Bombay. (3365)

PUBLIC NOTICE

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA.

THE BANK will be CLOSED on THURSDAY, the 9th December, 1943, that day being a Public Holiday (BAKRI-ID) under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

E. J. DAWSON,
Secretary & Treasurer.
Bombay, 30th November, 1943. (7048)

DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY

NOTICE.

THE FOLLOWING CHANGES are notified in the schedule of maximum rates fixed by Government as compensation for jungle woods requisitioned from anyone in the Province of Bombay, as published in the Gazette of India dated January 23, 1943:—

For "Special fixed lengths Rs. 0-4-0 extra per c.ft. when not accompanied by other length classes."

Substitute — "Special fixed lengths, Rs. 0-6-0 per c.ft. when not accompanied by other length classes." For special fixed cross sections Rs. 0-8-0 extra per c.ft. when not accompanied by other cross sections. (7062)

THE BOMBAY GAS COMPANY LIMITED.

GAS COKE SUPPLIES

DUE TO THE RECENT CUT OF 1,050 TONS PER MONTH IN THE COMPANY'S COAL SUPPLY IMPOSED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WHICH DIRECTLY AFFECTS THE PRODUCTION OF GAS COKE THE COMPANY HEREBY INFORMS ITS REGULAR CUSTOMERS OF ITS INABILITY TO MAINTAIN THEIR NORMAL SUPPLIES OF GAS COKE AND FROM NOW ON ALL SUPPLIES WILL ACCORDINGLY HAVE TO BE REDUCED. IN NO CIRCUMSTANCES WHATSOEVER CAN THE COMPANY ACCEPT ANY ORDERS FOR GAS COKE FROM NEW CUSTOMERS.

WILLIAM T. LANE,
General Manager & Engineer. (7059)

NOTICE.

FOR the convenience of shareholders, the Morarjee Goculdas Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd. will maintain a Branch Office on the 3rd floor of Fort Chambers, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay, for receipts of share transfers and delivery of share certificates on and from 2nd December, 1943. All correspondence through post should be addressed to the Registered Office of the Company, as usual.

GANESHNARAYAN PIRAMAL,
Agents,
The Morarjee Goculdas Spg. & Wvg. Co., Ltd.
Soparibaug Road,
Parel, Bombay No. 12
29th November, 1943. 6995

FOR SALE

AUTOMOBILE MACHINE SHOP with 10 Electrically driven machines fully established and running profitably. Only those ready to invest about one lac need apply Box No. 3343 "Bombay Chronicle."

BOMBAY-SIND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION invite applications by *27-12-1943* for post of *Director of Industries, Bombay Pay*, 1600-40-2000 *plus* conveyance allowance of Rs. 100. p.m. *Age* — Ordinarily not more than 40 years on 1-3-1944. *Qualifications.*—Good general knowledge, commonsense tact, ability to appreciate technical features of industries in their bearing on commercial possibilities and to draw conclusions regarding commercial soundness of industrial schemes, power of organisation, familiarity with practical handling of economic questions and local knowledge. Postgraduate degree in Electrical, Mechanical or Chemical Engineering or Industrial Chemistry an additional qualification. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas postage stamps and *uncrossed* Indian Postal Order for Re. 1 payable to the "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission," Bombay, who will supply full details on request 6944

LEGAL NOTICES

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY
INSOLVENCY NO. 132 OF 1943
Re: KURBANALLY ISMAILBHAI, of Bombay, residing at Jariwalla Building, Null Bazar, Bombay ..... A Debtor.
Ex parte: HABIB ISMAIL Petitioning Creditor

On the 26th day of November, 1943, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 3rd day of December, 1943.

S. S. RANGNEKAR,
Insolvency Registrar. (7057)

652. MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Typewriters Standard and Portable, Carbonpapers, Ribbons for sale. Repairs, Cleaning service, etc Rate moderate. Consult Bhatia & Co., 236, Kalbadevi Road. Tel 27792. 3307

Typewriters. Remington, Royal Portables, Excellent Condition. For Sale. "Bengale', 646, Sachapeer Street, Poona Cantonment. 3386

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE.

Wanted: Staff Nurses—Pay Rs. 60—5—100 p.m. each. Board Allowance Rs. 30|- p.m. plus Rs. -|8|- per day each. Uniform allowance Rs. 10|- p.m. and Dearness Allowance Rs. 12- p.m. each, with free furnished quarters. Apply at once with copies of certificates to the Lady Superintendent, Lady Willingdon Hospital, Lahore. The candidates muet be registered in the Punjab as general trained Nurses and Midwives. (6836)

COAL AND COKE

Small Industrial concerns unable to get priority for Coal and Coke may approacn S. D. SHETHIA & Co., Podar Chambers, Parsi Bazar Street, Fort, Bombay, Phone No. 20434 for their Coal and Coke requirements at the controlled rate. 3399

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WAR DEPARTMENT
I. S. D. INSPECTION CIRCLE BOMBAY.

APPLICATIONS on the prescribed form, are invited IMMEDIATELY from MUSLIM CANDIDATES for the posts of Examiners of Stores (Textiles). Candidates should have had a good general education and should possess a sound knowledge of the fundamentals of textile technology. They should also have had general training for not less than two years which embraced all the important sections of Textiles manufacture in a modern cotton or woollen mill and either (a) have had further practical experience for a period of three years in a textile mill or (b) possess a Textile Diploma equivalent to the L. T. M., Bombay. Pay Rs. 150-200 according to the qualifications plus the usual dearness allowance sanctioned by the Government of India from time time.

The posts are temporary in connection with the War. Application forms may be obtained from the undersigned on payment of Rupee one in cash or M. O. giving name and address of the applicant in BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS on the coupon. No postage stamps will be accepted.

CONTROLLER OF INSPECTION
Feltham House, Graham Rd.
Ballard Estate, Bombay. (7060)

SHERIFF'S NOTICE

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Fourth Criminal Sessions of 1943 which commenced on 13th September 1943 has this day been dissolved.

J. N. DUGGAN,
Sheriff of Bombay.
Sheriff's Office,
High Court, Bombay,
3rd December 1943. (7067)

ALL-INDIA STUDENTS' ESSAY COMPETITION

WITH A VIEW to encourage the students to make a special study of King Vikramaditya and his times the Vikram 2nd Millennium Celebrations Committee, Gwalior had decided to organise a Hindi Essay Competition open to students only. Prizes for senior group (post graduate students) are Rs. 250|-, Rs. 100|- and Rs. 50|- and a Commemoration Medal with each prize. The subject is "Vikrama in History, legend and literature." The prizes for the junior group are Rs. 150|-, Rs. 50|- and Rs. 25|- with a Commemoration Medal for each prize, the subject being "Ujjain in History, legend and literature." The last date of submission of the essays was the 10th January, 1944 which at the request of various competitors has now been extended to the 31st January, 1944. Essays written in Hindi only will be accepted. An entrance fee of Rs. 2|- for the senior and Re. 1|- for the junior group will be charged. Students of Gurkuls are also eligible. Further details can be had from the Secretary, Vikram 2nd Millennium Celebrations Committee, Gwalior. (7054)

AUCTION SALES

IMPORTANT TO TIMBER MERCHANTS, BUILDING CONTRACTORS, FURNITURE MAKERS AND MOTOR BODY BUILDERS. AUCTION SALE OF SEASONED COUNTRY TEAK

Messrs. GANDHI & Co., will sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, 6-12-43, at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at Godown of the Vendors, opp. Police Station, New Chinch Bunder, by order of Messrs. The Crescent Transport Co.:—

Large lots of Seasoned Country Teak pertaining to Building, Furniture and Motor Body including Planks, thin boards, side slabs, short length pieces, Scantlings, etc.

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BONAFIDE SALE OF MILNER FIRE PROOF SAFE, Household Furniture, Writing Tables, Chairs, 95½ Gross Aluminium Ointment Containers, Carpets, etc., on MONDAY, 6th December '43 at 3 P.M. (S.T.) at our rooms, 122 Apollo St. Fort.

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AUCTION SALES

RARE OPPORTUNITY TO COLLECTORS OF ART.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY OLD AND VALUABLE COLLECTION OF DRESDEN FULL SIZE VASES AND FIGURES, FRENCH ORMULU CASKET, CLOCKS & VASES, A LARGE COLLECTION OF CHINA VASES, BOWLS, BOHEMIAN VASES AND PLATES, BRONZE FIGURES AND INCENSE BURNERS, OLD ENGLISH FIGURES, AND NUMEROUS OTHER ARTICLES OF ART.

Under instructions from M|s. Eastley Lam & Co., Attorneys for the Executrix, M|s. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction on Wednesday, the 8th December, 1943, from 11-30 a.m. to 1-30 p.m. and the remaining lots from 3 P.M. (N.S.T.) at their Rooms at 120, Apollo Street, Fort, the undermentioned articles belonging to the Estate of the late Mr. C. M. Banaji, well-known Collector of Curios and Antiques.

A collection of Antique Full size Canton Vases, Chinese Jars, Bohemian Decanters, Tibetan Dogs Figures, Snuff Bottles, etc., etc.

On view from 11-30 A.M. to 5-30 P.M. and on Saturday from 11-30 A.M. to 2-30 P.M.

BENNETT & CO.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST RAILWAY

Under Sections 55, and 56 of the Indian Railways' Act No. IX of 1890 the Bombay Port Trust Railway will sell by public auction through their auctioneers Messrs. Mistry & Co. the undermentioned goods at their COTTON DEPOT, OIL DEPOT, AND COAL DEPOT STATIONS ON WEDNESDAY, 22ND December, 1943 at 3 P. M. 3-30 P. M. AND 4 P. M. (S. T.) RESPECTIVELY.

The highest bidders of Controlled goods will be required to obtain permits from the authorising controllers to enable them to remove the goods from the Railway premises.

Certificates of Sale of Controlled goods will be given at the Auction by an Officer of this Railway.

AT COTTON DEPOT 3 P. M.
13 Bales Jute.
11 Bags G. N. Seed.
5 Bags linseed.
1 Lot of Wooden planks.
80 Wooden planks, sleepers and Beams pieces rafter etc.
1 Bag dry Blood.
1 Bag Bark.
1 Package Contg. 32 Packets Morris—Fresco Distemper in powder.
20 Bags Oil Cake.
6 Bales F. P. Cotton.
1 Bag Castor Seed.
25 Ropes.
1 Bag China Clay.
1 Bale Hessian Cloth.
6 Bundles Coir Ropes.
1 Coil Iron wire.
5 Bundles Iron Screws, Wire, Casting and Flats.
2 Bags Bolts and Nuts.
1 Loose Iron Tubing.
AT COAL DEPOT 3-30 P. M.
1 Wagon Coal Ash.
1 Wagon Steam Coal.
AT OIL DEPOT 4 P. M.
10 Empty Iron & Steel Barrels.
5 Empty Iron Drums without Bungs.
2 Empty Iron & Steel Casks—with Bungs.
1 Full Barrel (Contg. unknown).
2 Cases Oil.
2 Wooden planks.
1 Bundle Bungs.

MISTRY & CO.
Auctioneers
Tel. No. 22801.

Under instructions from the B. B. and C. I. Rly. and in accordance with provisions of section 55 of the Indian Railways Act No. IX of 1890 MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction at the risk of the owners at Carnac Bridge Goods Depot on MONDAY, the 20th December, 1943, at 2 P.M. the following consignments of timber on which freight and wharfage are due:—

Badamibagh to Carnac Bridge Inv. 18 RR 423318 of 4/5/43. 1 wagon load timber booked by S.M. BBG to Bombay Deal and Supply Co.

Badamibagh to Carnac Bridge Inv. 25 RR 423332 of 10-5-43 1 wagon load timber booked by SM. BBG. to Bombay Deal and Supply Co.

Badamibagh to Carnac Bridge Inv. 7 RR 244017 of 13-3-43 1 wagon load timber booked by the Kashmir Deal and Pinewoods and Co. to self.

RARE OPPORTUNITY TO BUY PROPERTY AT CHEMBUR NEAR BOMBAY IN SUBURB

Messrs. MISTRY & CO. Auctioneers will sell by Public Auction on SUNDAY the 12th December 1943 at 4-30 P.M. (S.T.) at Chembur on the said Property site by order of the owner the Property known as Janaki Nivas Plot No. 72, Central Avenue at Chembur, 2 minutes walk from the Chembur Station.

All that piece or parcel of Freehold land or ground together with the messuage tenements or dwelling house standing thereon, situate, lying and being at the above address, admeasuring about 1435 sq. yards. Blocks with Electric light, water-connection etc. For the particulars and conditions of sale apply to M|s. Mistry & Co Auctioneers 75, Apollo Street Fort. opp. Union Bank Tel. No 22801.

AUCTION SALE OF RICH DIAMOND and EMERALD JEWELLERY in High Court Suit No. 342, Tomorrow, Sunday, at 10-30 a. m. at "Back Bay View" New Queens Road, Queen's Furnishing Co.'s Show Rooms. On view Auctioneers. M. MODY & CO.

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